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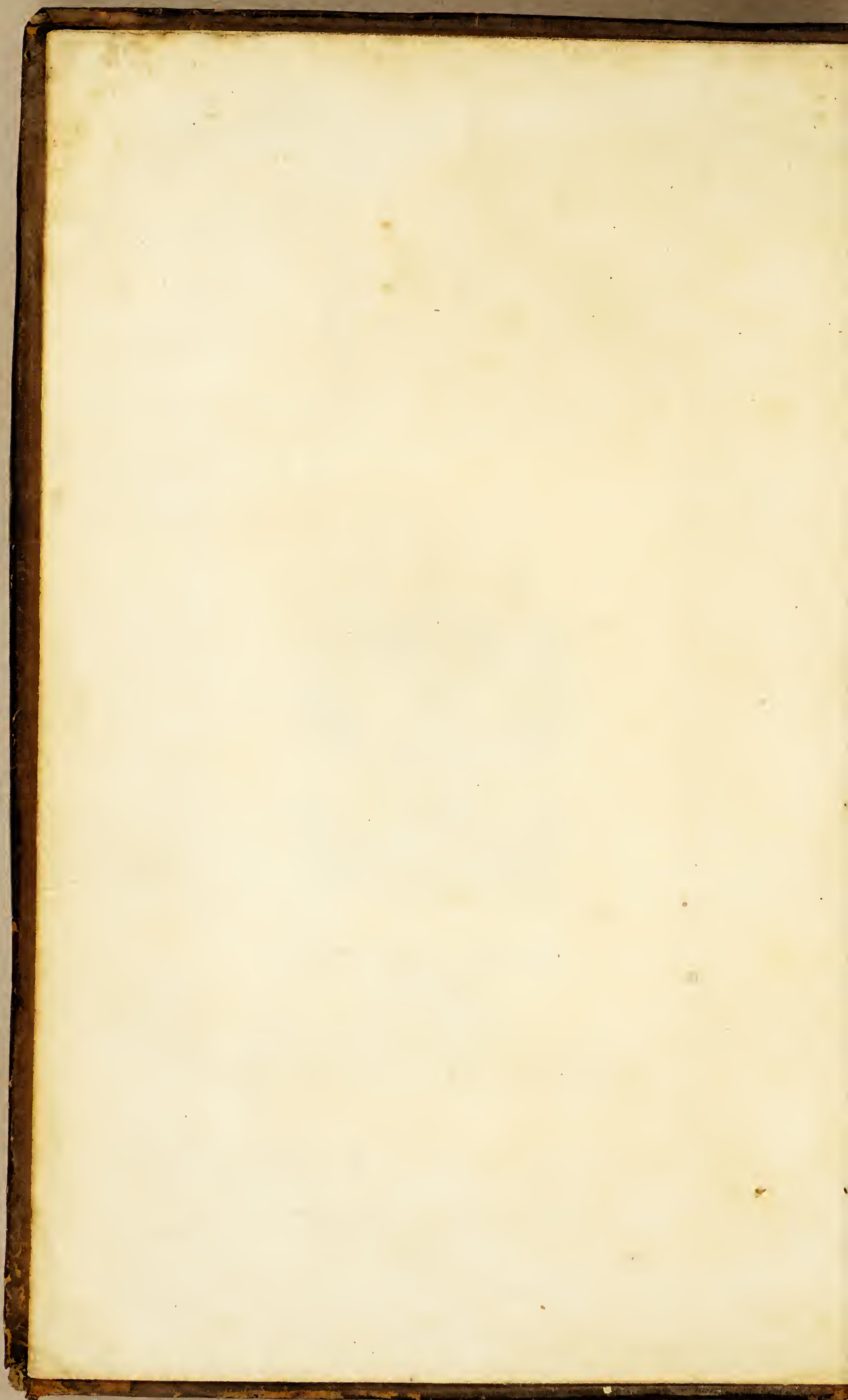
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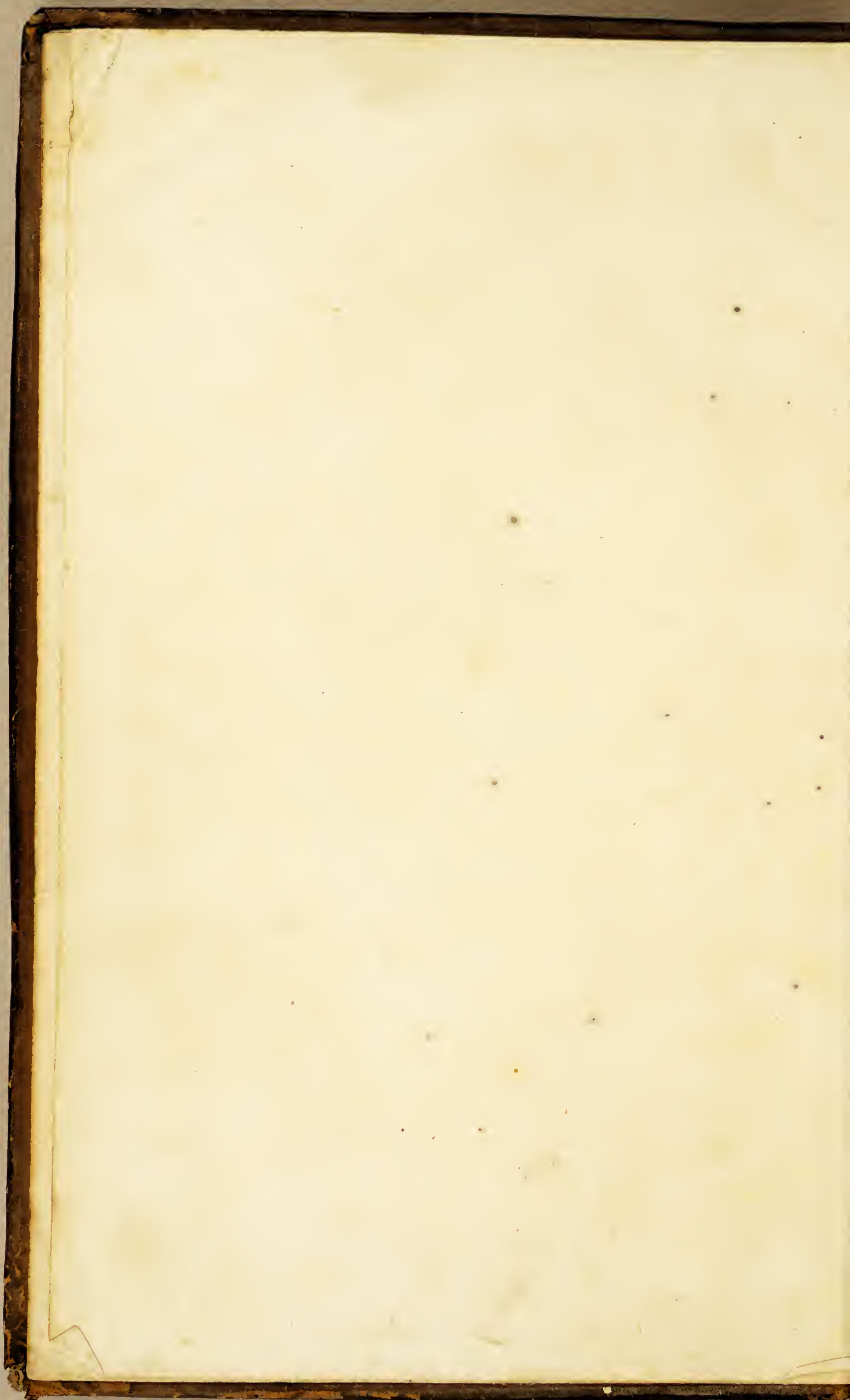
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OF
All Religions,

Ancient and Modern.

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ALL RELIGIONS

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TH^O this Undertaking is altogether new, at least-wise in the present Method of it, after an Alphabetical manner, whereby any thing relating to Religion may be turn'd to with the greatest Ease and Readiness imaginable, yet 'tis presumed to be of so Universal Use, that any Apology in its Favour, seems wholly unnecessary; and therefore we shall, immediately, proceed to hint a few Things concerning the general Scope of this Subject, and not tire the Reader with a tedious Preface.

The Four Grand Religions of the World are those Known by the Name of Judaism, Paganism, Christianity, and Mahometanism: All which, in respect to their Ancient and Modern State, you will find exemplified under the several Heads, Branches, Divisions and Subdivisions of them, according

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to their Rise, Progress, respective Vicissitudes and Changes.

How and by whom the several Religions in the World have from time to time been Instituted and Propagated, must necessarily fall under our Cognizance in prosecuting this Design: To give an Instance only in that of the Mahometans: You have the Life of the Grand Impostor Mahomet under that Head; the Religion invented by him under those of the Alcoran and Mahometanism, and how the same was propagated under Omar, Osman, Ali, &c. with Multitudes of other Heads that fall in with it, which cannot well be here enumerated.

There has yet been no Religion (that I know of) upon Earth, though never so pure, which hath not been subjected to Alterations, Divisions, Sects and Heresies; these, with all the Care I could, are comprehended in this Dictionary, and distinguish'd with the utmost Accuracy they were capable of; but they are so many in number, that I shall wholly avoid particularizing any of them, and will not anticipate the Reader herein.

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As Religion consists principally in Worship, or at least naturally implies it, and that Worship unavoidably requires some Object or other; the True Object can be but one, viz. the Creator of Heaven and Earth; but the Corruption of Humane Nature having found out so many false Deities of both Sexes, Idols, Images, and vain Representations, it required some Pains and Judgment to Collect and Digest them. And as the Variety of these Objects of Worship must have Places wherein Adoration may be paid them, They are also accounted for, whether they be Temples, Churches, Mosques, &c. as well as the various Ways and Methods of the Worship it self.

*A Pretence of Holiness and supposed Degrees of Purity in some above their Neighbours, were the Principal Causes of Separations in all Religions: Hence arose the Jewish Sects of Pharisees, Sadducees, &c. the many Singularities of this Kind among the Pagan Idolaters; the almost innumerable Orders and Communities under the Papal Hierarchy, as well as the Patriarchates of
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the East, the Sects of Moatazali, Kalenderi, Jabari, &c. among the Mahometans; none whereof, 'tis hoped, have been here omitted or overlooked, any more than the various Rules and Constitutions belonging to them: The several Denominations of Christians of the Reformed Churches, are here fairly represented, without using the Opprobrious Names of Schismatics or Sectaries, and the like Appellations, which serve to rend them asunder, instead of cementing them together against the Common Enemy.

All Nations in all Ages had, and still retain, particular Officers, Offices and Functions in Religion; divers peculiar Rules, Customs and Ceremonies; as also several Sacred Rites, Utensils and Festivals, according to the Nature of their Belief and Worship; which as they are Compatible enough to this Design, have been industriously Collected for the Readers Entertainment.

But because the variety of the Things already Suggested, is so great, and that we have noted Multitudes of other Dependencies upon

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upon Religion, which cannot, so well as the Rest, be reduced under any General Heads, we have hereunto subjoin'd a TABLE of all of them, for the Ease and Satisfaction of those, who would, as it were, at one View, see what is Contained in this Book; and the same, by the way, may serve as a sufficient Excuse for the Novelty of it in a Work of this Nature.

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A B-ADDIRES, The Name of certain Gods: *St. Augustin* writing to *Maximus* of *Medaura*, says, the *Carthaginians* had some Gods called *Ab-Addires*, whose Priests were named *Euccaddires*: In *Sacerdotibus Euccadires*, & in *Numinibus Ab-Addires*; thus the Gods *Ab-Addires* of the *Carthaginians* were undoubtedly those whom the *Greeks* and *Latins* sometimes called *Magnos, Potentes, Selectos Deos*.

ABDEST, Signifies properly in the *Persian* Tongue, the Water used for the washing of hands; but 'tis also taken by the *Persians* and *Turks* too, in a religious sense for Legal Purification.

ABELIANS, or *Abelites*, A sort of Christian Hereticks in *Africa*, that lived in the Diocess of *Hippo*, who married, but lived in Continence with their Wives, adopting Sons and Daughters to inherit their Estates, deeming their Children by their Wives to be illegitimate; they founded their Heresy upon those words of *St. Paul*, 1 *Cor.* 7. 29. *It remains that they that have Wives, be as tho' they had none.* They were called *Abelites*, because of a *Jewish* Fable, that *Adam* abstained from the Marriage-Bed a hundred and thirty years after *Abel's* Death.

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They were afterwards made sensible of their ridiculous Superstition, and returned to the Church.

A BUNA, i. e. our Father, A Name of the Christian Patriarchs of *Æthiopia*, who are elected upon the Nomination of the *Cophti* that live at *Cairo*: they had formerly recourse to the See of *Rome* for a Metropolitan; but that lasted not long, for they soon grew weary of him.

ACAID, A Book that contains the Principles and Chief Articles of the *Mahometan* Religion, compiled by the Famous Doctor *Nassafi*, and commented upon by *Tagravain*, much in esteem with the *Mahometans*.

ACDTHAMIN, The History of *Mecca*, in four Volumes.

ACEPHALI, A sort of Christian Hereticks that acknowledged no Head or Supream: their first appearance was about 500. they asserted one Substance in *Christ*, and therefore but one Nature.

ACNUN: The *Arabian*, *Persian* and *Turkish* *Mahometans*, call the Substance and Subsistence or *Hypostasis* by this name; and they take it in the last sense, when they speak of the Holy Trinity, which yet they do not own, pretending

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that it is not consistent with the *Unity* of the *Divinity*; and there are some of them so grossly ignorant, as to believe the *Christians* make the *Virgin Mary* to be one of the Persons.

ACOIMETÆ, A Society of Monks, first established at *Constantinople* in the time of *Gennadius*, in 459. so called, because they continued day and night by turns in the Temple, singing and praising God: they were founded either by *Alexander* Abbot of *Apamia*, or by his Successor *Marcellus*. In 484, they opposed *Acacius* Patriarch of *Constantinople*, who revolted from the Church, and in the Sixth Century, they fell themselves into the Errors of *Nestorius*, and were condemned by the Emperor *Justinian*, and Pope *John II* in 532. Some say they never allowed themselves any sleep, but it was only because they continued by turns at their Devotion, without any intermission.

ACOLYTÆ, A term sometime apply'd to such as continued permanent in the Christian Faith: And also an inferior Order of the Clergy, mentioned in the fourth Council of *Carthage*.

ADAD, The Heathenish Deity of the *Assyrians*, signifying *One* in their Language, allowing him for Wife the Goddess *Adargyris*; by the first intimating the *Sun*, by the second the *Earth*: they pictured *Adad* with Beams shooting downwards, and *Adargyris* with Rays shooting upwards, to shew that all Earthly Productions were owing to the Influence of the *Sun*. Some think the Prophet *Isaiah* speaks of this Worship of the *Sun*, under the name of *Achad*; for the *Hebrew* word *Achad*, is the same as the *Chaldee* *Adad*, and signifies *One only*, which agrees to the *Sun*.

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ADAMITES, A Sect of Christian Hereticks that imitated *Adam's* Nakedness before his Fall, believing themselves as innocent since their Redemption by the Death of *Christ*, and therefore met together naked upon all occasions, asserting that if *Adam* had not sinned, there would have been no Marriages. They sprang from the *Carpocratians* and *Gnosticks*, and follow'd the Errors of an infamous Fellow called *Prodicus*. They gave the Name of Deity to the four Elements, rejected Prayer, and said it was not necessary to confess *Jesus Christ*: this Sect was renewed at *Antwerp* by one *Tandeme*, who being follow'd by 3000 Soldiers, ravished Women and deflowered Maids, calling their Villanies by Spiritual Names. One *Picard*, a *Flanderkin*, renew'd it also in *Bohemia*, from whence they spread into *Poland*: It was said they met in the night, and used these words, *Swear, forswear, and discover not the Secret*.

ADDIR, *Pater Magnificus*, A word often attributed to the true God; and even the *Philistines* themselves gave him this Name, for smiting *Egypt* with many plagues.

ADEONA, An ancient She-Deity, worshipped by the Heathen *Romans*, as *St. Augustin* tells us, she enabled People to walk.

ADHHA, A Festival celebrated by the *Mahometans* on the tenth of the Month *D'doulbegiat*, which is the twelfth and last of the Year: this Month being particularly set apart for performing the Ceremonies, observed by the Pilgrims of *Mecca*, it has taken its Name therefrom, the same signifying as much as the Pilgrims Month: they do on that day at *Mecca*, and no where else, make solemn Sacrifices of sheep, which bear the same Name as the

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the Festival usually called the *Grand Beiram* by the *Turks*, to distinguish it from the *Little Beiram*, which terminates their Fasting, and by the Eastern Christians is called the *Easter of the Turks*. This Festival is also called *Faum al Corban*, i. e. *The day of Victims and Sacrifice*; for every Pilgrim may that day offer as many Sheep as he pleases; and each of these Victims they call *Dhabiat*: the *Mahometans* in order to the celebrating of this Festival, go out of *Mecca*, into a Village called *Mina*, or *Muna*, and there they sometimes also sacrifice a Camel. The Book which treats of the Ceremonies of this Sacrifice, and which is the only one the *Mahometans* have, is called *Manassek*.

A DONIS, The fair *Adonis*, the Son of *Cinara* King of *Cyprus*, by his own Daughter *Myrrha*, with whom the fabulous Ancients make the Goddesses *Venus* and *Proserpina* to fall in Love, the last of which carried him into Hell; but being moved with the other's tears, gave him to her for one half of the Year, and the other half he remained in Hell: which signified no more than that *Adonis* was the *Sun*, that during the six Superior Signs of the Summer was with *Venus*, i. e. in that Hemisphere of the Earth, which we inhabit; and during the other six Inferior Signs with *Proserpina*, or Inferior Hemisphere of the *Antipodes*: However, *Adonis* and *Venus* were worshipped by the ancient *Phœnicians* or *Chaldeans*, from whom it passed to the *Phœnicians*. *St. Cyril*, Archbishop of *Alexandria*, after he had in his Commentaries upon *Isaiah*, related this Fable of *Adonis* much to the same purpose, adds that it was this sort of Uncleaness which the *Jews* imitated, of which *Ezekiel*

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speaks, when he says; *The Women lamented Thammus*, that is *Adonis*, and that the Letters and Messengers mentioned by *Isaiah*, were nothing else but the Letters and Messengers which the Cities of *Egypt*, interchangeably sent to one another, to give notice that *Adonis* was found again.

A DONIA SACRA, The Heathen Mysteries and Sacrifices of *Adonis*, celebrated every year at *Byblis*, in the great Temple of *Venus*, where *Lucian* says, he was kill'd by a Boar, and in memory of the Misfortune, a publick Mourning was annually observed, at which the People beat themselves and lamented, and celebrated his Obsequies as if he had been dead, tho' the next day his Resurrection was solemnized, because they said he flew into Heaven; the Men shaved their Heads, as the *Egyptians* did at the death of their Ox or God *Apis*; but the Women who would not be shaven, were forced to prostitute themselves a whole day to strangers, and the Money they got by that debauch, they consecrated to *Venus* the Goddess: nay, what was much more strange, they would make us believe, that a River in that Country, called according to the Name of *Adonis*, changed its colour at certain times, and died the Sea as red as Blood; and this was esteemed miraculous, as being the time dedicated to the Celebration of this Mystery of *Adonis*, because 'twas believed he was then wounded in the Forest of *Libanus*.

ADRA MELECH, An Idol of the *Sepharvantes*, in the form of a Mule, to which they barbarously burnt their Children alive: this was also an Idol of the *Samaritans*, which they worshipped under the same shape.

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ÆDICULA RIDICULI:
See *Ridiculus*.

ÆGERIA, A Nymph or Deity worshipped by the Heathens in the Forest *Aricina*, not far from *Rome*; for *Numa Pompilius* second King of *Rome*, pretending he had frequent Conversation with this Deity, that he might add greater Weight and Authority to his Laws and Ordinances, and root them deeper in the Minds of his Subjects, made them believe this Nymph *Ægeria* dictated them to him. *Ovid* makes her to be the Wife of *Numa*, who was changed into a Fountain by *Diana*: however, the *Romans* revered her as a Deity; and Women with Child pray'd to her in the time of their Labour, that by her help they might be safely deliver'd of their Children. She was also called *Fluonia*, because she stopped the bloody Flux in Women.

ÆSCULAPIUS, A heathenish Deity of *Physick*, of uncertain Origin; some making him to be the Son of *Jupiter*; others to be born of unknown Parents at *Messina*, and nursed up at *Epidaurus* by a Birch, while *Homer* and *Ovid* make *Apollo* to be his Father, and *Coronis* to be his Mother. Indeed there were more than one *Æsculapius*; the most ancient of which was the *Ægyptian*, whose *Apotheosis* *Clemens Alexandrinus* reckons to have been fifty three years after the taking of *Troy*, and *Sanchoniathon* ranks him among the Gods, called *Cabires*, or the potent Gods, together with *Mercury*: another *Æsculapius* there was of the *Greeks*, in honour of whom the *Epidaurians* were the first that appointed a Festival, and placed him among the number of their Gods; as did likewise the Inhabitants of *Pergamus* and *Smyrna*, who built him a

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Temple by the Sea-side: he had also a Temple at *Cyrene* under the Name of the *Physician*, by way of Excellence, where the same Adoration was paid, and the same Sacrifices offered to him as at *Epidaurus*, except that Goats were only offered to him by the former. His Statue at *Epidaurus* was of Gold and Ivory, seated upon a Throne of the same matter, holding in one hand a knotted Batoon, and the other leaning on the head of a Serpent, with a Dog at his feet: there were also many Pictures to be seen in that Temple, on the Walls and Pillars of it, wherein divers Diseases that had been cured, were represented, and the Medicines that had been used for that end: the City of *Rome* having been mightily afflicted with the plague, and the Oracle having told them, if they would be freed from it, they should fetch the God *Æsculapius* from *Epidaurus*; *Quintus Ogulnius* brought him thither by Sea in the shape of a great Serpent; upon whose Arrival the plague ceasing, the *Romans* built him a Temple in an Island of the *Tiber*, without the City, intimating thereby perhaps that the Country Air was better and purer for recovery of Health.

AFRICA: See *Religions of Africa*.

AGENORA, The Name which the ancient Heathens gave to the Goddess of Industry, as supposing she had a peculiar power to make Men act with Life and Vigour; she had a Temple erected to her by the *Romans* in Mount *Aventine*.

AGINNIIANS, A Sect of Christian Hereticks, who appeared about the End of the VII. Century, under Pope *Sergius* the First. They condemned the use of some Meats

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Meats and Marriage, as if God was the Author of Neither: but this Sect had but few followers, and was soon suppressed.

AGLAIS, One of the three Graces of the Heathens, called *Charites* by the Greeks, and the Companions of *Venus* the Goddess of Beauty: they being accounted the Daughters of *Jupiter* and *Eurynome*.

AGLIBOLUS, A Name signifying to shine or cast a light, and anciently given to the Sun, which was worshipped as a Deity; and *Nuspon* says there was a Marble at Rome in the Vineyard of Cardinal *Carpegna* on which was the Portrait of two Syrian Dieties, with a Greek Inscription importing

*To the Honour of Aglibolus and
Malak-Belus, the Gods of
the Country.*

And he affirms the first to be the Sun, and the other the Moon, and that the habit of *Aglibolus* was not alter the Roman fashion, but short like the Syrians, with a sort of Cloak uppermost: the other's was like the *Paludamentum*, which the Romans wore in their Wars, with a Cloak over it; but neither the Hair nor the Crown were like the Roman *Salmasius* will have *Malak-Belus* to be the Sun and *Aglibolus* the Moon, but with little Authority.

AGNOITES, A sort of Christian Hereticks about the Year 370. Followers of *Theophrastus* the Cappadocian, who joyned himself with *Eunomius*; they called in Question the Omniscience of God, alleadging that he knew not things past any other way than by Memory, nor things to come, but by an uncertain Prescience.

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AGNOITES, Another sort of Hereticks about the year 535. who followed the Errors of *Themistius*, Deacon of Alexandria, who believed that Christ knew not when the Day of Judgment should happen.

AGYNNII, or *Agynians*, Ancient Christian Hereticks, who began about 694. and said that God forbade Eating of Flesh and Marriage.

ALBATI, A sort of Christian Hermits, so called from the white Linnen which they wore, Anno. 1399. in the time of Pope *Boniface IX.* they came down from the Alps into several Provinces of Italy, having for their Guide a Priest Cloathed all in White, and a Crucifix in his Hand; he pretended to much Zeal and Religion, that he was taken for a Saint, and his followers multiplied so fast, that the Pope growing jealous of their Leader's aiming at his Chair. sent Soldiers, who apprehended and put him to Death, upon which his followers dispersed; they professed sorrow and weeping for the Sins and Calamities of the Times, they ate together in the high ways, and slept promiscuously like Beasts.

ALBIGENSES, Christians in France, so called from their first Increase in *Albi*, from whence they spread themselves all over *Lyonois* and *Languedoc*, *Tbolouse*, *Aquitain* and *Agennois* in a short time, whose Opinions tending to a Reformation of Religion from the superstitions of the Church of Rome, and being the same with the *Waldenses*, they were excommunicated by the Pope, and a Religious War raised against them, which was very Bloody, and most of them were at length brought to be reconciled to the Church of Rome.

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the Remainder of those that stood out, retir'd to the *Alps* and *Piedmont*, and there began to form a Church upon the Model of *Geneva*: But tho' the *Albigensies*, *Waldenses* or *Vaudois* had many things in Common, yet they had something distinct and peculiar; the first being accused of being *Manicheans*, tho Dr. *Cave* proves they were *Orthodox*, and that their only Crime was their Remonstrances against the Jurisdiction and Conduct of the Church of *Rome*.

A L B A N O I S, A sort of Christian Hereticks that sprung up in the eighth Century, and renewed the greatest part of the Errors of the *Manicheans*. They held two Principles or beginnings of things; the one Good, the Father of Jesus Christ, the Author of Good, and of the New Testament; and the other bad, the Author of the Old Testament which they rejected, and exclaimed against all that *Abraham* and *Moses* could say; they held, that the World was from all Eternity, that the Son of God brought a body from Heaven, that there was no other Sacrament but Baptism, that the Church had no power to excommunicate, and that Hell was a meer Fable.

A L B U N A, A Heathen Goddess worshipped in the Country of *Tibur* in *Italy*, some taking her to be the same, as *Ino* the Daughter of *Atamas*, who fearing her Husband, cast her self headlong into the Sea with her Son *Melicertus*: but others confound her with the tenth Sibyl, called *Tiburtina*.

A L C O R A N, The Book of the *Mahometan* Law, an *Arabian* Word signifying Reading or Collection, having been composed by the Impostor *Mahomet*, by the help of *Butiras* a *Jacobin*, and *Sergius* a *Nestorian Monk*, with the assistance

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of some *Jews*, who were dispersed in great Numbers throughout *Arabia*, and do not without Grounds boast to this Day, that Twelve of their chief Doctors were the Authors of this abominable Book, out of a design to confound the Christians, and to prevent the forwarding and Universality of their Religion. The Book is divided into four parts, and each of them into Chapters, which have ridiculous Titles, as the Chapter of the Cow, of the Emmet, of the Spider and of the Flie. It's composed in *Arabick* Verse, of a very good stile, but of so disorderly a Method, that it is a continued Hodgepodge: the Author speaks sometimes in his own Name, and sometimes (as he pretends) in Gods Name, and at other times in the Name of the Faithful. Most of the Principles of the same are of *Arius*, *Nestorius*, *Sabellius* and other Heresiarchs: he sometimes makes use of Scripture Histories, which he falsifies, and adds many Fables, to that of the Patriarchs, Christ, and *John* the Baptist. The *Mahometans* have such a veneration for this Book, that 'tis Death for a *Jew* or Christian to touch it, and for a Mussulman himself, as they call their pretended true believers, if he touch it with unwashed hands; they say God sent it to *Mahomet* by the Angel *Gabriel*, writ on Parchment made of that *Rams* skin which *Abraham* Sacrificed instead of his Son *Isaac*; for its Doctrine, they say it is as ancient as the first Prophets, since God chastised *Adam's* Children; that *Noah* repaired what the first had lost; that *Abraham* succeeded the second, *Joseph* the third, and *Moses* the fourth; that Christ established, and *Mahomet* confirmed it: Our Saviour is therein called the Word, the

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the Power, the Soul, and the Strength of God: they allow of Prayers for the Dead and Purgatory: they believe that the Punishment of the Damned will cease, and that the Devils shall be converted by the *Alcoran*; they say that the Soul is a part of God, maintain freedom of Will and Destiny; they alledge there are seven Paradises, all of which *Mahomet* viewed on a Creature called *Alberak*, bigger than an Ass, and less than a Mule: the first they say is of fine Silver, the second of Gold, the third of Precious Stones, where there is an Angel, betwixt whose Hands is 70000 Days Journey, and that he is always reading in a Book; the fourth is of Emerald, the fifth of Chrystal, the sixth of the Colour of Fire, and the seventh a delicious Garden, watered with Fountains and Rivers of Milk, and Honey, and Wine, with divers sorts of Trees always Green, and Apples whose Kernels are changed into Girls, so Handsom and Sweet, that if one of them should spit in the Sea, the Waters thereof would be no more bitter: They add that this Paradise is guarded by Angels, of which one has a Cow's Head, with Horns that have 40000 Knots, and that there are forty days Journey betwixt each knot; there are others which have 70 Mouths, and every Mouth 70 Tongues, and each Tongue praises God 70 times a Day, in 70 different Idioms; there are 14 Wax Candles lighted before the Throne of God, which contain fifty Years Journey from one end to the other: That all the Apartments of Heaven are Garnished with what may be conceived most Pompous, Rich and Magnificent; that the Blessed are there

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fed with the most rare and delicious Messes, that they Marry Women who are always Virgins; and in the whole they accommodate their Heaven to the most brutish and sensual Appetite: they add that their Wives do not reach Paradise, but behold the Happiness of their Husbands at a Distance. For Hell, they say, it consists of Pains, which shall have an End by the Bounty of *Mahomet*, who is to Wash the Damned in a Fountain, that they may eat the Remainders of a Feast which shall be made for the Blessed. They alledge, that after Death, two black Angels come to the Tomb, and restoring the Soul to the Body of the Deceased, ask it, if it hath carefully observed the Law? If the Dead answer yes, the transgressing Members gives him the Lie, if it be not true, and upbraids him with his Crime, whereupon one of those black Spirits knock him on the Head with a Hammer, which drives him two Fathom into the Earth, where they torment him a very long time; and on the contrary, the Corps of those who are Innocent be preserved by the White Angels till the Day of Judgment. This Book says, the Earth was created in Two Days, that it is sustained by an Ox which is beneath it, standing on a White Stone, with his Head to the East, and Tail to the West, having 40 Horns, and as many Teeth, and betwixt every Horn is as great a Distance as a Man could Walk in a Thousand Years. They lay as the Foundation of their Law, 1. Predestination, believing that all things are so in Eternal Idea's, that it is impossible to prevent the Effects. 2. That their Religion is to be planted without Miracles;

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Dispute or Contradiction, and the Opponents are to be cut off without other Forms of Process; and that the *Mussulmans* who kill Unbelievers deserve Paradise. Soon after *Mahomet's* Death, there came out about 200 different Commentaries upon the *Alcoran*, whereupon *Mihavia* Caliph of *Babylon*, summoned an Assembly at *Damascus*, in order to reconcile so many discording Opinions, but finding that would not do, he chose six of the most learned *Mahometans* out of the whole Number, whom he shut up apart, ordering them to write what they thought best, and was most agreeable to their Judgment; which being done, those six Books called the *Alcoran*, to this day, were compiled and kept, and all the rest were cast into the River, with several strict Prohibitions, neither to Teach, Speak, or Act, any thing contrary to what was contained in those six Books: However, That could not prevent the spreading of four different Sects; the first and most superstitious, founded by *Rabby Melich*, is embraced by the *Moors* and *Arabians*; the second commonly called the *Inmenian*, according to the Traditions of *Haly*, and which is the most Rational, followed by the *Persians*; the third, which is that of *Omar* and the loosest, venerated by the *Turks*, and the fourth set up by *Odman*, which is the most Sottish, Idolized by all the *Tartars*.

A L E C T O, One of the Three Furies of Hell, according to the fabulous Poets, the Daughters of *Acheron* and *Nox*, or of *Pluto* and *Proserpina*; they were revered by the ancient Heathens, as Goddesses; by whom Crimes were punished; and were painted with

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furious Aspects, wearing a Cap of Serpents, holding Whips and lighted Torches in their Hands.

A L E T I D E S, Ancient Sacrifices, offered by the *Athenians* to *Icarus* and *Erigone* his Daughter, for the Father having been slain by the Shepherds of *Attica*, upon a false suspicion he had poisoned them with some Liquor he gave them, and his Daughter hereupon hanging her self for Grief, and many *Athenian* Virgins, who loved her extraordinarily, following her Example, the Oracle of *Apollo* was consulted, who ordered this Solemn Sacrifice to their Ghosts, in which the Images of the Virgins hanged were represented, and they danced Puppets.

A L I, or *Haly*, *Mahomet* the Impostor's Son in Law, whom he declared his Successor upon his Death-Bed, affirming him to be a Saint, of the Race of the Prophets, but being frustrated by *Omar* and *Osman*, he retired into *Arabia*, of which he was Governor, and made a Collection of all *Mahomet's* Doctrines, allowing many things which *Omar* and *Osman* disapproved, and by the Gentleness of his Alterations, drawing Multitudes of *Arabs* after him, so that he made himself Caliph of the *Saracens* and *Agarenians*, which Dignity he maintained with many Wars, and much Conduct to his Death.

A L L A H, for *Al Elah*; the Name of God among the *Arabians*, and all those who profess *Mahometanism*, let their Language be what it will; its equal to that of *Elohim* and *Adonai* among the *Hebrews*, and also to that which they call Tetragrammaton, or the four Letters, which more particularly indicates the Divine Essence.

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ALLELUIA, Signifies Praise and the custom of singing Alleluja, obtained both among the *Greeks* and *Romans* in *St. Jerom's* days, who says it was usual at the Funeral of Saints: It was the first word taught by Christians to their Children, and commonly used at *Jerusalem*, instead of ordinary Songs.

A LOES, A Holy day kept by the heathen Labourers of *Athens*, after they had received the fruits of the Earth, in Honour of *Ceres* and *Bacchus*.

A LOGIANS, Certain Christian Hereticks, that denied the Revelation and the Gospel, wherein the Son of God is said to be the Word of the Father.

ALTAR, That upon which Sacrifices were offered by the *Jews* to the true God: The Heathens had their Altars also for their false Dieties; The word and thing is still retained in the Church of *Rome*, and some reformed Churches, for the Communion Table.

A M A L T H Æ A, A sibyl sur-named *Cumæa*, famous in Antiquity, for her Prophecies and Predictions of the coming of the Messiah, who was to be born of a Virgin.

AMBROSIA, The Food of the false Dieties of the Heathens, according to the Poets, *Lucian* rallying those Poetical Gods, tells us, that *Ambrosia* and *Nectar* (their drink) were not so excellent as the Poets described them, since their Dieties would leave them for the Blood and Fat, which they came to suck from the Altars like Flies: *Ambrosia* was also a certain Festival celebrated by the *Romans*, Nov. 24 in Honour of *Bacchus*, by *Romulus*, called by the *Romans* *Brumalia*, and by the *Greeks*, *Ambrosia*.

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AMEDIEC, Or Friends of God, a kind of a Religious Congregation in the Church of *Rome*, who wore Gray Cloaths and Wooden Shoes, had no Breeches, girding themselves with a Cord, they begun in 1400 and grew Numerous, but *Pius V.* united it partly with that of the *Cisterians* and part of it with the *Soccolanti*.

A M E R I C A, See Religious of *America*.

A M I D A, An Idol of the *Japponois*, being a statue of the Body of a Man, and the head of a Dog, mounted upon a Horse with seven Heads, he is also represented as a Young Man with a Crown of Gold upon his head, environed with Rays.

AMMON, See *Jupiter Ammon*.

A M O U Q U E S, A Name which the *Indians* give the Governours and Pastors of the Christians of *St. Thomas*, who are so denominated because their Ancestors were converted by that Apostle, they are still very Numerous about the Mountains of *Alabas*.

AMPHIDROMIA, A kind of a Religious Feast of the ancient *Pagans*, solemnized on the 5th day after the Birth of the Infant, at what times the Gossips that were at the Labour, ran round about the Chamber and the Household Gods, then washed their Hands and delivered the Child to the Nurses, which done, the Parents and Friends gave small presents to the Women and made them a Feast.

AMPHILOCHUS, A Heathen Demi-God, who according to *Plutarch*, gave an Oracular Answer to one *Thesbaci* of *Solos*; that he should reform after he was dead, which hapned accordingly, for being killed he came to Life, three days after, and became a New Man.

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ANABAPTISTS, *Catabaptists*, or *Antipædobaptists*, (or according as they call themselves *Baptists*) are so Denominated for their re-baptizing adult Persons, and denying the Lawfulness of Baptizing Infants. *John of Leyden*, *Marcer*, *Knipperdoling*, and other German Enthusiasts (of whom *Nicholas Stoucius* was the first) about the time of the Reformation were called by this Name, and held that Christ was not the Son of *Mary*, nor true God; that we were Righteous by our own Merits and Sufferings, and that there was no Original Sin, that Infants were not to be baptized, rejecting also Communion with other Churches, Magistracy and Oaths, maintained a Communion of Goods, Polygamy, and that a Man might put away his Wife, if not of the same Religion with himself; that the Godly should enjoy a Monarchy here on Earth, that Man had a Free Will in Spiritual Things, and that any Man might Preach and Administer the Sacraments. The Baptists of *Moravia* called themselves Apostolical, going Barefoot, Washing one another's Feet, and having Community of Goods: They had a common Steward who distributed equally things necessary: They admitted none but such as would get their Livelihood by Working at some Trade: They had a common Father for their Spirituals, who instructed them in their Religion, and prayed with them every Morning before they went abroad; they had a general Governour of the Church, whom none knew but themselves, they being obliged to keep it Secret: They would be silent a quarter of an Hour before Meat, covering their Faces with their Hands, and Meditating, do-

ing the like after Meat, their Governour observing them in the mean time, to reprove what was amiss; they were generally clad in Black, discoursing much of the last Judgment, Pains of Hell, and Cruelty of Devils, Teaching, that the way to escape those was to be Re-baptized, and to embrace their Religion; thus far Mr. *Rosse*. The Author of the History of the *Bohemian* Persecution, gives a more favourable Account of those Anabaptists, as that they were diligent in their Callings, Injurious to no Body, and very charitable: *Calvin*, as appears by his Institutions, charges the *Anabaptists* of his time, particularly *Servetus*, with denying Infant Baptism; the Validity of Baptism by Wicked Ministers, or Popish Priests, the lawfulness of Magistracy, and assurance of Salvation; adding that they denied Oaths, unchurched all Churches, because of the Faults of Ministers and Members, and asserted that the Jews knew nothing of Eternal Life, and that their Promises and Administration had no other Prospect but Temporal Advantage: but our *English* Baptists are not to be Judged by any of these Descriptions, they are Generally for the Congregational way of Church Government, which together with the rejecting Infant Baptism, and not singing of Psalms (which yet some of them practise) are the only things they differ in from other Protestants; tho' there are those among them who also deny the Lawfulness of Oaths, maintain Free-Will, the Seventh Day Sabbath, and the Thousand Years Reign. Such as desire to be more fully satisfied, may have a recourse to a Confession of Faith, published by the Representatives of about a Hundred

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Hundred of their Congregations in 1689, being much the same in Substance with the Assemblies, or *Westminster* Confession, except as before excepted: The Practice of Rebaptizing is not new, since we find it charged upon *Marcion*, who maintained a third Baptism for Expiation of Sins, and that the same might be administred by Women. The *Cataphrygians*, *Novatians*, and *Donatists* Rebaptized those of their Communion, and *An. 256.* those of *Cilicia*, *Capadocia*, *Galatia*, and the neighbouring Provinces, declared in an Assembly, that the Baptism of *Hereticks* was void. *Firmilian* Bishop of *Cesarea*, and *St. Dennis* Bishop of *Alexandria*, were Patrons of this Opinion, and wrote about it to *Stephen* Bishop of *Rome*, who declined Communion with the Eastern Churches upon that Account. *St. Cyprian* in 256, called a Council at *Carthage*, where they agreed that Baptism administred without the Church was invalid, which the Bishops of *Rome* opposed. *Tertullian* held that Baptism conferred by *Hereticks* was null, and *Agrippinus*, who lived 40 Years or above, before *St. Cyprian*, was of the same Opinion, which created much Trouble, and this Method to allay it was found out by the Council of *Arles*, *Can. 8. viz.* to Rebaptize those newly Converted, if so be it was found that they had not been Baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: and so the first General Council of *Nice*, *Can. 19.* ordered that the *Paulianists*, or followers of *Paul Samosatenus*, and the *Cataphrygians* should be Rebaptized: The Council of *Laodicea*, *Can. 7.* and the Second of *Arles*, *Can. 16.* decreed the same as to some *Hereticks*: In *Theodosi-*

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us his Code, and that of *Justinian*, it's observed that those Emperors put Anabaptists to Death. A Practice, 'tis hoped, which no Christian Princes nor States will think fit to imitate.

ANCULI, and *Anculae*, the Heathen Gods, and Goddesses of Slaves, whom they honoured and prayed to in the Miseries of their Bondage.

ANCYLE, or rather *Ancelia*, properly a Buckler among the Romans, but they kept a Festival in March, called that of the *Holy Bucklers*. For the City, as they said, being afflicted with a great Plague in the Reign of *Numa*, and a *Holy Buckler* or *Ancyle*, falling down from Heaven before him in the Street, the Plague began thereupon to cease, and he easily persuaded the People, that like the *Palladium* of *Troy*, the Fate and Happiness of *Rome* was anext to it, and so it was safely deposited in the Temple of *Mars*, under the Care of Twelve Priests, called *Sallii*: the Festival lasted three Days, and ended with a Sumptuous Entertainment.

ANÆTIS, A Heathen Goddess, formerly much in Veneration amongst the *Lydians*, *Persians*, and *Armenians*, bordering upon *Tartary*; they did nothing but under her Auspices, and held their most important Consultations in her Temple; she was served only by Female Priests, being the most Beautiful Virgins in the Country, who thought it an Honour to prostitute themselves to those that came to Sacrifice to their false Deity, the Festivals of this Idol were Annually Celebrated, with all manner of Debaucheries.

A NAMELECK, An Idol of the *Samaritans*, under the Shape

of an Horse, was designed to represent *Mars*, however some Rab-
bies represented him in the form
of a Pheasant.

St. ANDREW the Apostle, born at *Bethsaida*, a City of *Galilee*, on the Lake of *Genazereth*, was the Son of *John* or *Jonas* a Fisherman, and generally taken to be the Younger Brother of *Simon Peter*: he was first Disciple to *John* the Baptist, present with him at our Saviour's Baptism, and one of them that followed him to his Home, on the Baptist's Testimony that he was the *Messias*, on which Account the Ancient Writers call him the first Disciple: After some Converse with Christ, he went and brought his Brother *Simon* to him, and staying a little, return'd to their Calling again. Somewhat more than a Year after, our Lord fully convinced them of his Divinity by the Miraculous draught of Fish which they took by his Command on the Sea of *Tiberias*, where he found them Fishing, and thence-forth commanded them to follow him, which they did accordingly. Thus far the Holy Scripture, as for other Authors, *Socrates* says, that it fell to this Apostle's Lot to preach the Gospel in *Scythia*, and the neighbouring Provinces, so that in instructing *Capadocia*, *Galatia* and *Bithynia*, he travelled by the *Euxine* Sea into the Desarts of *Scythia*. An ancient Author in the *Menaë Grecor.* says that he first went to *Amyntus*, and being entertained by a Jew, proved in their Synagogue from the Prophets, that Christ was the *Messiah*, and having converted many, and Constituted a Church there, went to *Trapezus*, a City on the same Coast, and thence to *Nice*, wherche preached and wrote Mira-

cles Two Years, thence to *Nicomedia* and *Calcedon*, and by the *Propontis* went to *Heraclea* and *Amestris*, overcoming abundance of Difficulties and Discouragements; next he arrived at *Sinope*, on the Black Sea, where he met his Brother *Peter*, and staid with him a considerable Time; the Author alledging for Proof that he himself saw the Chairs of White Stone there, from whence they used to instruct the People; adding that most of the People being *Jews*, they attempted to burn him in the House, but failing in that, they trampled upon, and dragged him about, beat him with Clubs, pelted him with Stones, and some of them bit off his Flesh, till supposing him dead, they threw him out of the City; miraculously recovering again, he re-entred the same publickly, by which, and other Miracles, he converted many to the Faith: From thence he went again to *Amyntus*, *Trapezus*, and so to *Neocaesarea*, and *Samosata*, where having baffled the Philosophers, he designed for *Jerusalem*; but returning, after some time to his former Provinces, he came to the Country of *Abasgi*, and preached the Gospel with good success at *Sebastopolis*, from whence he went to the *Zecchi* and *Bosphocani*, a People of the *Asian Scythia*, where he staid not long, only at *Chersonesus* he continued Preaching for some time, from whence he Sailed to *Sinope* to confirm the Churches, he had planted there, and ordaining *Philologus* one of St. Paul's Disciples, Bishop, he went to *Bizantium*, now *Constantinople*, where he Preached, and made *Stachis*, whom St. Paul calls beloved, first Bishop of this place: from hence he was forced to fly to *Argyropolis*, a Neg:

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Neighbouring City, and preached there Two Years with good Success; and afterwards travelling over *Thrace, Macedon, Thessaly, Achaia, and Epirus*, propagated the Faith, confirming it with Miracles, and sealed the same with his own Blood at *Patra*, a City of *Achaia*, in this manner, as recorded by the Presbyters and Deacons of *Achaia*, who were Eye-witnesses; and tho' there is some Doubt whether they be really the Authors, yet the Account is ancient, because mentioned by *Philastrius de Heres*, c. 89. who lived about 380. *Ægeus* Proconsul of *Achaia*, observing that Multitudes of the People turned Christians, endeavoured to bring them to Paganism by flattery and Force: the Apostle hereupon resolutely addressing himself to him, calmly offered to instruct him, but was derided as an Innovator, and an Assertor of that Religion whose Author the *Jews* had Crucified; from which the Apostle took Occasion to explain the Doctrine of the Cross, to which the Proconsul answered, that he might talk to them that would believe him, but if he would not sacrifice to the Gods he should suffer on that Cross which he so much extolled; hereupon he was seized, and had certainly been rescued by the People, if he had not forbid them. The Proconsul next day would have flattered him to renounce Christianity; and *St. Andrew* on his part would have induced him to abandon Idolatry, despising his Threats and Torments, and so was condemned, the Proconsul being the more enraged because he cured *Maximilla* his Wife, and *Stratocles* his Brother, of desperate distempers and converted them: his naked Body was Whipped, by seven

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Lictors successively, and the Proconsul seeing his invincible Constancy, ordered he should be fastened to the Cross with Cords, instead of Nails, to render his Death the more lingering and tedious; he went to Execution very cheerfully, and through a Croud of People, who cried out he was unjustly Condemned; the Blessed Man approaching the Cross, joyfully saluted it, and in a triumphant manner, that it might receive him as a Disciple of him who once hung upon it, and having prayed and Exhorted the People to a Constancy in the Faith, he was fastened to the Cross, where he hung two Days, teaching the People all the while; and when great Interest was made to the Proconsul to spare his Life, he earnestly begged of the Lord he might then seal the truth with his Blood, and expired on the last of *November*, but what Year is uncertain, tho' *Moreri* says it was, *An. 69.*

ANGELICI, A sort of Christian Hereticks, supposed to have their Rise in the Apostles time, but grew most about, *An. 180.* they were for worshipping Angels, and from thence had their Names.

ANGELITES, A sort of *Sabellian* Hereticks, so called from *Agelius* or *Angelius*, a Place in *Alexandria*, where they use to meet.

ANGERONA, A Goddess, whom the Heathen *Romans* prayed to, against a Distemper called the *Quinsie*; *Pliny* will have her to be the Goddess of Silence and Calmness of Mind, who banished all Disturbances, and removed all sorts of Melancholly, which if they effectually believed, she must necessarily have abundance of Votaries. The *Romans* instituted a Feast to her, which they called *An-*

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Angeronalia, because she cured their Flocks, then troubled with the *Quinsy*; she was pictured with her Mouth covered, to shew that Pains and Grief should be born without impatient Complaints: they sacrificed to her in the Temple of the Goddess *Volupia*, where her Statue was set up.

ANNA, A Heathen Goddess, presiding over the Year, and to whom they sacrificed in *March*; some People take her for the Moon, who by her ordinary Revolution makes Months and Years.

ANNOMEANS, The Name of the thorough paced *Arians* in the 4th Century, because they held the Essence of the Son of God, unlike unto that of the Father: These Hereticks were condemned by the *Semiarrians* at the Council of *Seleucia*, An. 359. but they revenged themselves of this Censure, a Year after, at a pretended Synod in *Constantinople*.

ANNUNCIAD E, Otherwise called the Order of the Ten Virtues, or Delight of the Virgin *Mary*; a Popish Order of Women founded by Queen *Jane* of *France*, Wife to *Lewis* the XII. whose Rule and chief Business was to honour with a great many Beads, and Rosaries, the Ten principal Virtues or Delights of the Virgin *Mary*, the first of which they make to be when the Angel *Gabriel* annunciated to her the Mystery of the Incarnation, from whence they have their Name; the Second when she saw her Son *Jesus* brought into the World. Third, When the Wise Men came to Worship him. Fourth, When she found him disputing with the Doctors in the Temple, &c. This Order was confirmed by the Pope, in 1501. and by *Leo X.* again, in 1517.

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ANTOVERTA, And *Postvorta*, Heathen Dieties honoured by the *Romans*, who took care of what was past, and what was to come, and whom they made the Companion of Providence.

ANTROPOMORPHITES, Otherwise called *Audeans*, from *Audeus* their Leader, were a sort of Hereticks who maintained God had our Human Shame, and that thereupon Man was created after his Image; the Followers of *Montanus* believed the Soul also to be Corporal, and *Tertullian* has been charged with this Error.

ANTIADIAPHORISTS, A Party of *Lutherans*, who according to *Prateolus*, disallowed of the Government of Bishops, and the Ceremonies of the Church.

ANTICHRIST, The Name of a Person, by reason of Eminence, whom *St. Paul* calls the Man of Sin, and the Son of Perdition, who towards the latter end of the World is to appear more remarkably in opposition to Christianity, and the *Roman* Catholicks suppose his Reign is to continue Three Years and an half; the Protestants are divided in their Opinions about the Person of Antichrist, *Grotius*, and *Dr. Hammond* after him, apply the Scripture Descriptions of this Persecutor and Impostor, to *Caligula*, *Simon Magus*, and the *Gnosticks*; but the generality of them will have the Pope as head of the Apostate Church of *Rome*, to be Anti-Christ.

ANTIDICOMARIANI, A sort of *Helvidian* Hereticks, who held that the Virgin *Mary* had Children by *Joseph*, after our Saviour: There are some Persons of the same Opinion at this Day, and I think, may be allowed to be so without any Imputation of Heresy.

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ANTINOMIANS, A sort of Christian Hereticks, so denominated for rejecting, the Law as a thing of no use under the Gospel Dispensation: They say that Good Works do not further, nor Evil Works hinder Salvation; that the Child of God cannot Sin, that God never Chastiseth them, nor punisheth any Land for their Sin, that Murder, Adultery, Drunkenness, &c. are Sins in the Wicked, but not in them, that the Child of Grace being once assured of Salvation, afterwards never doubteth, that no Man should be troubled in Conscience for Sin; that no Christian should be exhorted to perform the Duties of Christianity; that a Hypocrite may have all the Graces that were in *Adam* before his fall; that Christ is the only Subject of Grace, that no Christian believeth or worketh any Good, but Christ only believeth and worketh; that God do not love any Man for his Holiness; that Sanctification is no Evidence of Justification, &c. *Pontanus* in his Catalogue of Heresies, says *John Agricola* was the Author of this Sect, An. 1535.

ANTITACTES, Christian Hereticks sprung from the *Gnosticks*, who taught that Sin deserved rather Reward than Punishment, and accordingly wallowed in all Crimes.

ANTITRINITARIANS, A Name given in general to all that deny the Holy Trinity, tho' it is more particularly applied to the *Socinians*, that are also called *Unitarians*.

ANUBIS, A Heathenish Deity of the *Aegyptians*, Pictured with the Face of a Dog, wrapped up in Linnen, and holding a Palm Branch in one hand, and a *Caduceus* or *Mer-*

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cury's Wand in the other, he is supposed to have been the Son of *Osiris*, and for his extraordinary Valour deified the by *Aegyptians*; his Worship was translated to the *Romans*, and highly esteemed by the Emperor *Commodus*.

APUTURIA, A Surname given to the Heathen Goddess *Minerva* by *Aethra*; who consecrated a Temple to her, according to the Admonition she had given her, and ordered that the *Trazomenian* Virgins should for the future dedicate their Girdles to her at their Marriage: This was also the Name of a Festival celebrated by the *Athenians* in *Octob.* in Honour of *Bacchus*, *Jupiter*, and *Pallas*, where Young Men and Maids spent their time in Sports and Feasts, which lasted for several Days.

APHTHARDOCITÆ, A Sect of Christians, sprung from the *Eutychians* in the sixth Century, who could not comprehend our Saviour's Passion, holding that he was Immortal from the very first Moment of his Conception.

APOLLO, A Heathen Deity, famous among the *Greeks* and *Romans*, to whom they attribute the Invention of many excellent Arts, and to whom they erected many Temples and Statues, made by the most skilful Artificers; he was more particularly famous for his Oracles at *Delos*, *Claros*, *Tenedos*, *Cyrrha* and *Patera*, but no where so much as at *Delphos*; he was called the *Sun* in Heaven, *Bacchus* on Earth, and *Apollo* in Hell, was represented with a Harp, to shew the Harmony of the Spheres, with a Buckler to denote he was the Defender of the Earth, and with Arrows to signify his Power of Life and Death; *Jupiter* and *Latoia* were his Parents, and *Diana* his Sister.

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APOSTOLICKS, or *Apatacticks*, Hereticks in Christianity that sprung from the *Eucratites* and *Cathari*, and took this Name, because they made Profession of never Marrying, and renounced Riches. *Epiphanius* observes, that these Vagabonds who appeared about 260, for the most part made use of the Apocryphal Acts of St. *Andrew*, St. *Thomas*, St. *Epiphanius*, and St. *Augustin*; there was another Sect of this Name about the Twelfth Century, who were against Marriage, and never went without Lewd Women: They also despised Infant-Baptism, would not allow of Purgatory, Invocation of Saints and Prayers for the Dead, and called themselves the true Body of the Church, condemning all use of Flesh with the *Manicheans*.

APOTHEOSIS, Was a Ceremony observed by the *Romans*, wherein they Consecrated or Deified great Men after their Death, which in *Greece* were to be Authorized by the Oracle of some Deity, and at *Rome* by the Senate.

APPIADES, Five Pagan Deities which were adored under that general Name, viz. *Venus*, *Pallas*, *Vesta*, *Concordia*, and *Pax*, whose Temples were at *Rome*, where were the Fountains of *Appius*, from whence the Name was given them.

AQUARII, Hereticks so denominated, because they used only Water at the Lord's Supper.

AQUILICIANA, Heathen Festivals Celebrated at *Rome*, during a great Drought, for obtaining Rain of the Gods, and the Priests that officiated were called *Aquilices*, because they brought down Rain upon the Earth by their Prayers.

ARAF, The Plural of the *Arabic* Word *Orf*, both the one and the other signifying a Place be-

tween the Heaven and the Hell of the *Mahometans*, some say 'tis a Separation like a Vail, while others will have it to be a strong thick Wall: the *Mussulmen* cannot agree about the Persons that are to be put into this place, some saying they are the Patriarchs and Prophets, and others will have them to be Martyrs, and the most holy Persons among Believers, and that there are also Angels in Human Shape among them: However, several of their Doctors will have it to be a place rather like unto the Purgatory of the Papists, whereunto those among the faithful were sent, whose Good and bad Deeds are in a kind of Equality, so as that they have not Merit enough to carry them to Heaven, nor sufficient demerit to be condemned to Hell Fire; they see from that place the Glory of the Blessed, and Congratulate their Happiness, but the fervent Desire they have to be with them much troubles them: however they shall at the last day be brought to prostrate themselves before the Face of God and Worship, and by this Religious Act, which shall be accounted meritorious, the Number of their Good Works, thereby coming to over-poise their Bad Ones, they shall enter into Glory.

ARAFAH, The ninth day of the last Month of the *Arabian* Year, called *Dhaulhegiat*, on which the *Mahometan* Pilgrims at *Mecca* go and perform their Devotions at an adjacent Mountain called *Arafat*, because they believe *Adam* and *Eve* after they were turned out of Paradise, were separated from one another for 120 Years, by way of doing Penance and that at last as they were in search of each other, they knew one another, and met

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on the top of this Mountain, which from thence has taken its Name, that in *Arabick* signifies to know.

ARCH-DEACON, A Name anciently given to the first Deacon of the Church, or he who was Head of the rest: *St. Austin* gives this Title to *St. Stephen*, because *St. Luke* names him in the first place. None but Deacons towards the first Ages of Christianity were Capable of this preferment, so that when he that had it took Priests Orders, he could no longer be Archdeacon: But in process of time this Title was likewise given to Priests, as you may see in *Hincmar* in 877. But now the Archdeacon is as it were the Bishops vicar and Visits in the Diocess for him.

ARCHONTIQUES, Christian Hereticks that appeared about 175. So denominated because they held that Arch-Angels Created the World, they denied the Resurrection, and placed perfect Redemption, in a Chimerical knowledge: They said that the God of Sabaoth exercised a cruel Tyranny in the 7th Heaven, that he engendered the Devil, who begat *Abel* and *Cain* upon *Eve*, and these Errors they defended by Books of their own Compiling, which they called the Revelation of the Prophets and the Harmony.

ARCH-PRIEST, An Ecclesiastical Dignity among the Christians, formerly given to the Principal Priest in the Cathedral Church, whose business it was to inspect the Conduct of the Priests and the rest of the Clergy, to Administer the Holy Sacrament in the Bishops Absence, and to take care of Widdows, Orphans, and poor Travellers no less than the Arch-deacon: this Title of Arch-Priest was afterwards given

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to the Principal Persons of the Diocess or to the Deans, and distinguished into the Arch-Priests of the City, and Arch-Priests of the Country or Rural Deans: In the *Greek Church* the Arch-Priest is called *Potopapas*, and in the Catalogue of the Officers of the Church of *Constantinople*, he is said to give the Communion to the Patriarch and the Patriarch to him: That he is the Head of Business in the Church, and in many places represents the Patriarch: *Goar* in his Remarks upon the Catalogue, affirms that the Arch-Priest among the *Greeks*, succeeds in some measure to the Ancient *Chorepiscopi*, and that in the Islands which belong to the *Venetians*, he ordains Readers, and is Judge in cases Ecclesiastical.

ARCULUS, This was a supposed Divinity of the Heathens, who, they vainly imagined, took care that Trunks and Cabinets were not broke open. *St. Augustin* says, they fancied some dispute between him and their Goddess *Laverna*, who they made to be a well-wisher to Thieving.

ARIMANES, One of the three Sovereigns, to whom some Pagan Philosophers attributed the Government of the World, that is to say, God, the Spirit, and the Soul, under the Names of *Orimanes*, *Mithra*, and *Arimanes*; to God the Unity of Parts, and of the whole, to the Spirit the order of Parts united by the Power of God, and to the Soul, the motion of that which is in good order, by vertue of the superiour Power: The *Persians* gave this Name to the Principle of Evil, as that of *Orimanes* to the Cause of Good.

ARMINIANS, See Remonstrants.

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AROT and *Marot*, two Angels feigned by *Mahomet* to be sent from God, to admonish Men to abstain from Murder, false Judgments and all sorts of Excess; adding that a beautiful Woman having invited them to Dine with her, made them drink Plentifully and being healed therewith they tempted her to folly, to which she made as if she would yield, upon Condition, that they should teach her the Words, by Vertue whereof they ascended to Heaven, which being done, she retracted her promise and was immediately caught up thither, where having told what past to God, she was turned into the Morning Star or *Lucifer*, and hence it was, says *Mahomet*, that God forbad the use of Wine.

ARRIANS, A sort of Christian Hereticks, so named from *Arrius* their first Founder: They denied the three Persons in the Holy Trinity to be of the same Essence, and affirmed the Word to be a Creature, and that there was a time when he was not, &c. They were condemned by the Council of *Nice* in 325. Yet proceeded to spread their false Doctrines, and having allured to their Party the Sons of *Constantine* the Great, the *Goths* and *Lombards* with a great many Bishops, they persecuted *Athanasius* in the East, *Hilarius* in the West and held divers Councils: One at *Antioch* before *Constantine*, where they composed a new form of Faith, abrogated the Act of the *Nicene* Council, deposed *Athanasius*, And set up *George* of *Cappadocia* in his Place. The Synod of *Sardica*, which confirmed that of *Nice*, afterwards Condemned them and restored *Athanasius*, at which they were so

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nettled, that they set up an *Anti-Synod* at *Phillippolis*, and expelled *Athanasius* a second time: A third Synod was held at *Milan* to confirm the *Arrian* Heresy and the Condemnation of *Athanasius*, but they only sent *Hilarius*, *Liberius* and *Hosius* into Exile: In their Doxologies they ascribed the Glory to the Father, through the Son in the Holy Ghost, not to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost: They also Baptized Converts, sprinkling their upper parts as low as the Navel, at last falling out among themselves, *Theodosius* quite suppressed them. These Hereticks were also called *Exoucentii*, because they held that Christ was created out of things which had no being. The *Arrian* Principles according to *Spanheim*, were that Christ was only called God, by way of Title even on account of the Godhead; nor was he consubstantial with the Father, who was only Eternal and without beginning, that he was a Creature, having had a beginning of Existence, Created out of Things, and having no being before the beginning of all Things, hence he was made God and the Son of God by Adoption, and not by Nature, and that the Word was also subject to change; that the Father created all things by him as an Instrument, and that he was the most excellent of all Creatures: That the Essence of the Father was different from the Essence of the Son, neither was he Coeternal, Coequal nor Consubstantial with the Father. That the Holy Ghost was not God but the Creature of the Son, begot and Created by him, inferior in dignity to the Father and Son and Co-worker in the Creation. This Sect were noted for Craft, Perfidiousness, Inconstancy, Reproaching

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proaching the Orthodox, Flattering: The factions into which they subdivided were *Anomeans*, *Semi-Arrians*, *Acacians*, *Pure Arrians*, some who agreed with the Orthodox in every Point, but calling Christ Consubstantial with the Father, as the *Photinians* or *Scotini*. *Arrius* a Priest of *Alexandria* in *Egypt* was the first broacher of this Heresy which ever since has been called *Arrianism* according to his Name.

ARVALES, *Fratres Arvales*, were twelve Persons so named, *ab Arvis* from the Fields, who amongst the Heathen *Romans*, presided over the Sacrifices that were offered to *Bacchus* and *Ceres*, for the preservation of the Fruits of the Earth.

ARSCH, The Throne of God in *Arabick*, of whom the *Mahometans* say he has two Thrones, the first called by this Name and is no other than the Empyrean Heaven, which is the Throne of his Glory and Majesty; the other they call *Carfi*, and is properly his Tribunal, where he takes Cognizance of things here below, and upon which he is to Judge all Mankind: When *Mahomet* speaks of the Creation of the First, which he calls *Arsch Adbim*, the Great Throne by way of excellency, he says that God placed it upon the Waters and did his utmost to produce it; and his followers pursuant to those traditions, which they call *Authentick*, say that this Throne is supported by eight thousand Pillars, in such a manner as is unconceivable, and that they go up by 60000 stairs, and that the space between each of them is three hundred Thousand Years Journey, and that each of these spaces is full of Angels ranged in Battallions;

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among whom there are some appointed to carry the Throne, and therefore they are called *Hamme-loun al Arsch*, and they give them also the Title of *Maccarrebound*, i. e. Angels next to the Majesty on high.

ASCETÆ, A sort of Christians in the Primitive times, who practised greater Austerities than ordinary; they wore a Cloak like the *Greek Philosophers Pallium*. This Name was afterwards given to the Monks.

ASCHARIANS, *Ascharioun* The Disciples of *Aschari*, a *Mahometan* Sect, whose Opinions are, that God being a General and Universal Agent, is also really the Creator and Author of all the Actions of Men; but that Men being free, they cannot for all that but attain to some Merit or Demerit according as they incline voluntarily to the things which the Law forbids or Commands: And this Word *Atoain*, which implies merit or the contrary to it, is defined by them to be an Action appointed to procure some Benefit, or remove away some Evil; but because such an Action cannot be attributed to the Creator, who can receive neither good nor harm, it follows the same ought to be purely attributed to Man, who consequently is Master of it, and at his own Liberty; the Result therefore of this Argument is, that our Actions are really and effectually produced by the Creator, but that the Application made in our obeying and disobeying his Law, is purely our own.

ASCODROGILES or *As-ciles*, Christian Hereticks that appeared about the Year 173. who pretended they were replenish'd with *Montanus's* Paraclet; and introduced

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roduced the *Bacchanals* into the Churches, where they had a Buck-Skin full of Wine, and went in Procession round it saying, this was the Vessel of New Wine spoken of in the Gospel.

ASCOLIA, Feasts that the Peasants of *Attica* celebrated in Honour of their false God *Bacchus*, to whom they Sacrificed a Buck, because this Beast is a destroyer of Vineyards: They filled up the skin, and took pleasure to stand upon it with one Foot, holding the other up in the Air, that they might fall.

ASHTAROTH, See *Astarta*.

ASIA, See Religions of *Asia*.

ASTARTA, or *Astarte*, the same as *Ashtaroth* in the Scripture, which signifies *Sheep* or *Flocks*, a Heathen Goddess to whom *Scaliger* thinks this name was given on Account of the Multitude of her victims, but *Sanchoniathon* says, she was *Venus Urania* or the Moon: *Bochart* makes her to be the *Jo* of the *Greeks*, that was transformed into a Cow, *Cicero* would have her to be *Venus* and *Suidas* after him. But *St. Augustin* on the Contrary thinks that *Astarte* was *Juno*, which he proves from the Judgment of the *Carthaginians*, who could not be Ignorant of the Religion of the *Phœnicians*, & *Servierunt Baal & Astarta*, these are the words of Scripture which that Father explains of *Jupiter* and *Juno* *Jud. 9. 16.*

ASSIDEENS, A sort of *Jews*, so called from *Chasidim* or *Tsadikim*, its synonymon, which signifies *Just*; but after some time the *Chasidim* distinguished themselves from the *Tsadikim*, these holding precisely to the Holy Scripture, and the other affecting a more eminent degree of Sanctity

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than was enjoyn'd by the Law. The People held these last in great Veneration, who instituted Works of supererogation, not as indifferent, but necessary to Salvation: From these it was that the *Pharisees* sprung, from them the *Essæans*, who all preached that their Traditions were more Perfect than the Scripture, and by degrees fell into the Error of the *Saducees*, who taught that we were not to hope for any recompence for our Good Works in the other World, nor to fear any Punishments for our Crimes, and denied the Resurrection of the Dead.

ASYLE, *Azilum*, A Name given to privileged Places, whence Offenders could not be forced without offending the Gods and Religion. Some Nations built Places for this purpose, others appropriated this Privilege to their Temples. The *Asyles* or privileged Places which God appointed among the *Jews* were very different from these other, because they were for such as killed a Man by chance, or some unexpected Accident. *Pope Boniface V.* whether in Imitation of the *Jews* or *Gentiles*, I cannot determine, ordered that the Churches and Altars should be places of Refuge, to any that could make their escape to them.

ATE, A mischievous and ill-natured Goddess of the Heathen who took delight in engaging Men in Troubles and Quarrels, perverting their Understanding, and dulling their Reason; there was no other way to be secure of her, than to have recourse to the *Lites*, *Jupiter's* Daughters, who saved Men from her Anger, with this Circumstance, that the more she was in Passion, the less Power she had with her, and the Interpretation

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On or Moral of the Fable they tell us is this, that *Ate* is nothing else but the Evil and Unjustice we commit, which is the real source of our Troubles and Misfortunes, the *Lites* are our Prayers, which we are to make use of in our Calamities; and lastly 'tis manifest, that when our Crimes are very great, that then we meet with the greatest difficulties in obtaining our Pardon.

ATERGATIS, A Heathen Goddess of the *Ascalonites*, half Woman, half Fish; the supposed Mother of *Semiramis*, who having been deflowred, fell into so deep a Melancholy, that she threw herself into a Lake, and being never found, it was believed she was turned into a Fish. I do not meet with what sort of Adoration they paid to her.

ATHENÆA, Feasts at *Athens* dedicated to the Honour of their Heathen Goddess *Minerva*, of which some were kept every Year, and others every five Years, according to the Institution of *Erichonius* King of *Athens*, as *Pausanias* says.

AVERRUNCUS, A pretended Deity of the *Romans*, who was worshipped, that he might Guard them against Accidents and Misfortunes, that being his peculiar Province; *Apollo* and *Hercules* were supposed to have this Faculty.

AUGUSTALIA, Feasts celebrated by the Heathen *Romans* October the 12th, for the return of *Augustus* to *Rome*, after he had settled *Sicily*, *Greece*, *Syria*, *Asia*, and *Parthia*, in Peace, and to that end an Altar was built with this title *Fortuna Reduci*.

AUGUSTINES, A Religious Order of Christians, who fol-

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low *St. Augustine's* pretended Rule, ordered them by Pope *Alexander* IV. in 1256, and is now divided into several Branches, as *Hermits* of *St. Paul*, the *Jeronymitans*, Monks of *St. Briget*, the *Augustin's* called *Chaussez*, that go without Stockins, begun in 1574, by a *Portuguese*, and confirmed in 1600, and 1602, by Pope *Clement* VIII. As for the pretended Rules of *St. Augustin*; they are reduced to three Classes, the first comprehending, that the Monks ought to possess nothing in particular, nor call any thing their own; that the wealthy who became Monks ought to sell what they had, and give the Mony to the Poor; that those who sued for the Religious Habits, ought to pass under Tryal before they were admitted; that the Monks ought to substract nothing from the Monastery, nor receive any thing whatsoever, without the leave of their Superior, to whom they ought to communicate those Points of Doctrine, which they had heard discoursed of without the Monastery; that if any one was stubborn towards his Superior, after the first and second Correction in secret, he should be publicly denounced as a Rebel; If it happened in the time of Persecution, that the Monks were forced to retire, they ought immediately to betake themselves to that place where their Superior was withdrawn; and if for the same Reason a Monk had saved any thing that belonged to the Monastery, he should give it up as soon as possible to his Superior. The Second Class imported that they were to love God and their Neighbour, how they were to recite the Psalms and the rest of their Office; the first part of the Morning they ought to imploy in

Manual Works, and the rest in reading, and to return in the Afternoon to their Work again till the Evening; that they ought to possess nothing of their own, be obedient to their Superior, keep silence in eating, and had *Saturday* allowed to provide themselves with Necessaries; and it was lawful for them to drink Wine on *Sundays*; that when they went abroad, they must always go two together; that they were never to eat out of the Monastery, that they should be conscientious in what they sold, and faithful in what they bought; that they ought not to utter idle Words, but work with silence; and lastly, That whoever neglected the Practice of these Precepts ought to be Corrected and Beaten, and that the true observers of them must rejoyce and be confident of their Salvation. As for the Third, After having enjoined them to love God and their Neighbour, they ought to possess nothing but in common, the Superior ought to distribute every thing in the Monastery, according to each Man's Necessity; every thing should be in common, and they should not incline their Hearts to Temporal Things; that they ought to honour God in one another, as being become his Holy Temples; they must attend Prayers at Canonical Hours, and were not to be hindred at any other time, that they should pray with Attention, and sing only what was really appointed to be sung; that they ought to apply themselves to Fasting and Abstinence with Discretion; and that if any of them was not able to Fast, he ought not to eat between Meals, unless he were Sick; that they must mind what was read to them, while they

were at their Meals, that none ought to be envious to see the Sick better treated than the rest were; or that something more delicate was given to those of a weaker Constitution; that those who were upon Recovery, ought to make use of comfortable things, and when recovered, to return to the common usage; to be Grave and Modest in their Habits; never to be far from their Companion; to express Modesty and Stayedness in their outward Behaviour; not to cast a lustful Eye upon Women, nor wish to be seen by them; not when at Church to harbour any Thoughts of Women; that when it was known a Fryar courted any Woman, after having been forewarned several times, he ought to be Corrected, and that if he would not submit to the Correction, he should be turned out of the Monastery; that all Correction should be inflicted with Charity; that they ought not to receive Lettets nor Presents in secret, they ought to be contented with those Habits that were given them; that all their Works should be rendred common, that if some of their Relations sent them Cloaths, it should be in the Superior's Power to give them to whom he pleased; that he who concealed any thing as his own, should be proceeded against as guilty of Robbery; they were to wash their own Cloaths, or have them washed by others, with the Superior's leave; those who were in any Office should serve their Brethren without grudging; that they ought to shun all Law Suits; that they ought to ask their Brethren forgiveness for any Injury done them; to forbear Ill Language one to another; the Superior was to be obeyed, but not

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not to be proud of his Dignity ; that the *Monks* ought to observe these Rules out of Love, and not slavish Fear ; and that this Rule ought to be read once a Week, in the Presence of the Monks.

St. AUSTIN, called the Apostle of the *Anglo-Saxons*, and first Archbishop of *Canterbury*, was a *Roman Monk*, of the Order of St. *Bennet*, and lived in the 6th Century ; when *Ethelbert* the most potent King of *Kent* reigned over part of this Island, who with the People being Pagans, and his Wife *Bertha*, Daughter to *Clotaire* Ist King of *France*, and her Servants only making open Profession of the Christian Religion, which they had Liberty to do by her Contract of Marriage, she took Advantage of the King's great Affection to her, and brought him by Degrees into a good Opinion of her Religion, and when they saw him fairly disposed, she gave intelligence thereof to the then Pope *Gregory* the Great, and prayed him to send over fit Persons to compleat the Work, in order to Plant the Gospel in *Britain*: Hereupon the Pope sent *Austin* and several others, about the Year 596. by whom the King was converted, which contributed much to the Conversion of the People, after which *Ethelbert* removed to *Reculver*, and left *Austin* in possession of his Royal Palace, who consecrated the Church in the Palace, and prevailed with the King to build a Monastery without the Walls, dedicated to *Peter* and *Paul*, with a Church-Yard to it. Upon *Christmas*, they tell us, *Austin* Baptized about 10000 *Saxons*, besides Women and Children ; soon after which he was by the Pope's Mandate declared Archbishop of *Arles*, who

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sent him the Pall by *Mellitus*, *Justus*, and *Paulinus*, An. 601. Three Years after this, *Austin* consecrated *Mellitus* and *Justus* Bishops, to preach the Gospel to the East-Saxons, whom the *Thames* divided from *Kent*, whose King *Segebert* was then converted by *Mellitus*, and St. *Paul's* Church in *London* Built. *Justus* was made Bishop of *Rochester*, and a Church built there by King *Ethelbert*, dedicated to St. *Andrew*. At last having ordained *Laurence* a Priest to succeed him in the See of *Canterbury*, he departed this Life in 614. Thus Christianity was planted again in this part of the Island, which having flourished before, in the time of the *Britains*, since the Reign of King *Lucius*, was after the *Saxons* Establishment, confined amongst the *Britains* in *Wales*, the best of of the Island being overspread again with Heathenism : But here it is observable, that the *Saxons* having received Christianity in the time that the Church of *Rome* was Apostitizing apace from the Purity of the Faith and primitive Discipline, became Christians in a great Measure but Nominally, and never received the true Doctrine of the Christian Religion, till the glorious Reformation brake forth. We may also note, that this *Austin* was the first that subjected the Church of *England*, by owning the Popes Supremacy, contrary to the Practice of the *British* Church, who allowed of no such Dependency, nor would the *British* Bishops in *Austin's* Time, acknowledge the Papal Authority, nor *Austin* himself to be their Archbishop, which he resented to a Degree far from becoming his Function, and the Christian Charity, and Moderation he ought to have ever retained in him.

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AZABE KABERI, An Opinion of the *Turks* concerning their dead, which implies the Punishment of the Grave, that being the Bed of Wicked Men, binds so fast with its Earth, that it crushes their Bones, and shuts the Pores and Crevices thro' which they should see into Heaven; but the Bodies of Good Men enjoy the Comfort of having a Window from their dark Retreat, to behold the Vision of God's Glory; they have likewise another Opinion concerning their Deceased, that the most Wicked of them endure the Pains of Hell, where their Souls remain till their Torments are accomplished, and Divine Justice satisfied.

AZAREKAH, The Name of an Heretical *Mahometan* Sect, that deduce their Original from *Nase Ben Azrah*: They in a short time grew so Numerous and Potent in the Government of the Caliphs, that they hazarded Battles, and many times defeated the Armies sent against them: They professed themselves to be sworn Enemies to the *Ominades*, and gave a great deal of Trouble in divers Parts of their Dominions: This People acknowledged no Power either Spiritual or Temporal, to be lawful, and they joyned with all Sects that were Enemies to the *Mussulmen*.

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B A A L, or *Bel*; An *Hebrew* and *Chaldaick* Word, that properly signifies *Lord*, or *Mighty*; it was the Name of the Idol of the *Moabites* and *Phanicians*, and most of the Nations bordering upon the *Jews*; it seems that the Idolaters among them pretended to adore

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the true God under the Name and Figure of *Baalim*, *Hos.* 2. 16, 17. The *Grecians* who were wont to take the Eastern Deities for their own, call this *Bel* sometime *Jupiter*, sometime *Mars*; but the truth is, that the *Babylonians* by it understood either the Stars and Host of Heaven, or such Kings and Heroes, whose Memory they had consecrated to Posterity by a Religious Worship: The *Phanicians* adored the Sun under the Name of *Baal* and *Moloch*: 'Tis thought that this Idol was the first invented by Superstition, and the Original Worship of Idolatry.

B A A N I T E S, Christian Heretics, the Followers of one *Baanes*, who taught the Errors of the *Manicheans* in the Ninth Century.

B A C C H A N A L I A, Feasts Celebrated by the *Pagans* in honour of *Bacchus*, with so much Debauchery and Infamous Ceremonies, that the *Romans* thought fit to suppress them, *An. Rom.* 568. This Festival had its Original in *Aegypt*, from whence it was brought by one *Melampus* into *Greece*, where the *Athenians* kept it more solemnly than all their Neighbours.

B A C C H A N E T S, *Bacchæ*; The Priestesses of the false God *Bacchus*, who celebrated his Festival with Tigers or Panthers Skins, and run up and down all Night, some with their Hair loose, with Torches and Links in their Hands; others crowned with Vine and Ivy Leaves, carrying a *Thyrus* or Stick covered with the like Leaves; they had along with them Cymbals, Players, Drummers, and others with Hunting Horns, and they themselves made a terrible Noise, Shouting, and Bawling as they went along: the Men were

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apparelled like Satyrs, some riding upon Asses, and others led He-Goats to be Sacrificed.

BACCHUS, Looked upon by the Ancient *Pagans*, to be the God of Wine, was *Jupiter's* Son by *Semele*, but according to others by *Proserpina*; nay, some said he had two Mothers, and so called him *Bimater* (which is as likely as the rest) as that *Jupiter* took him out of his Mother's Womb, and put him into his Thigh, to make up what he wanted of the Nine Months, when his Mother lost her Life thro' her indiscreet Curiosity to converse with his Father in the Rays of his Divinity. If we believe *Orpheus*, he was an *Hermaphrodite*, and accordingly is said to be always Young: He was in great esteem among the *Egyptians*, whose Theology as well as the Ancient *Greeks* teaches us, that *Bacchus* or *Dionysius* is an Emanation or Divine Power, and confounds him with *Phæbus*, *Apollo*, *Apis*, *Anubis*, *Osyris*, *Janus* and *Noah*; nor do we read of any People who at any time denied him the Veneration that was paid to the Gods, except *Scythia*, those of that Country holding it unreasonable and ridiculous to adore a Deity that rendred People Fools, or Mad: He was known by several other Names, as *Bromius*, *Lyæus*, among the *Greeks*, *Liber* among the *Romans*, and the *Indians* whom he Conquered, called him *Evan*, which in their Language signifies Ivy that was consecrated to him.

BACOTI, The Name of the Great Witch, which the People of *Tunquin* in *China* consult, besides their Two Magitians, *Taybou* and *Tayphouthony*, when a Child dies, the Mother, to know the State of the departed Soul, goes to this *Ba-*

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coti, who takes a Drum and beats a Call, to make that Soul appear before her, and tells the Mother she sees the Soul, which acquaints her with her happy or miserable Condition, but to please the Mother, they generally say the Soul is Happy.

BAGNOLENSES, Christian Hereticks, who followed the Errors of the *Manicheans*, and began to appear in the eighth Century; they rejected the old Testament and part of the New, maintained that God foresaw nothing of himself, and that he created no new Souls, and that the World had no beginning.

BAHIR, *i. e.* Famous, Illustrious: *Buxtorf* observes the *Jews* had a Book of this Name, which is the ancientest of the *Rabbies*, and where the most profound Mysteries of the *Cabala* are treated of, and that this Book was never printed, but that there were several Passages out of it in the Works of the *Rabbins*. Its Author *Rabbi Nehonia Ben Hakana*, was according to the *Jews*, Cotemporary with *Jonathan*, Author of the *Chaldee Paraphrase*, *i. e.* Forty Years before Christ: But this *Bahir* is not so ancient, and *Father Simon* in his Catalogue of *Jewish Books*, observes that a small Book entitled also *Bahir*, was lately printed in *Holland*, but says, that it is not at all likely it should be the ancient *Bahir* of the *Jews*, which was much larger and never printed.

BAIRAM or *Beiram*, A Festival of the *Mahometans*, which they keep after the fast of *Ramazan*, as *Easter* among the Christians follows *Lent*; they have two of them, the first which falls on the Tenth Day of the last Month of the *Arabick Year*, which is that of Pilgrimage, is called by the *Turks*

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Beiram Buiuk, or the great *Beiram*; the second which finishes the Fast of the Month *Ramazán*, and falls on the first day of the Month, or of the Moon *Scheval*, is called *Beiram Kutschuk*, or *Kitschi Beiram*, the little *Beiram*. 'Tis the last Festival only that is celebrated at *Constantinople*, and else where with very great Rejoycing, because it puts an end to their Fast, and this the Eastern Christians commonly call the *Easter* of the *Turks*, and according to the Notion of the common People, is taken to be their greatest Feast, and the grand *Beiram*. The People leave their Work for three Days, during the *Beiram*, make Presents to one another, and divert themselves extraordinarily: This Festival is published at *Constantinople* by the discharge of three great Cannon that are upon the top of the *Seraglio* on the Sea-side, and then Drums are Beaten, and Trumpets sounded in all the publick Places of the City, and at the great Mens Houses: Then all the Officers of State that are at *Constantinople* assemble in the *Seraglio*, to pay the Grand Signior their Respects, who thereupon treats them, and bestows 16 Vests upon 16 of the chief of them.

BAIVA, An Idol of the *Laplanders*, adored as the Lord of Light and Heat: Some think it is the Sun, others that 'tis the Fire: Some relate that the great Deity *Thor* was called by these People *Tiermes* or *Aijeke*, when they called upon him to preserve their Lives, and to secure them from the Insults of the *Demons*; but that they named him *Baima* too. For to this very day they have not a particular Idol for this God, whether it be because he is visible enough of himself, or as some

skillful Men in the Mysteries will have it, that *Thor* and *Baima* are the same Deity adored for different Reasons.

BANIANS, Idolaters that have spread themselves in all the Provinces of the East Indies, but more numerous in the Kingdom of *Cambaya* or *Gazarate*, than in any other place: They do believe there is a God who created Heaven and Earth, and yet miserably worship the Devil, whom they believe to have been created to Govern the World and plague Mankind: They have no light in their Country Temples but that of Lamps, which burn Day and Night, and no other Ornaments but the Pictures of Beasts and Devils painted upon the Walls: But their *Mosques* in their Cities are well furnished with good Silver, Ivory, Ebony, and Marble Statues: They represent the Devil under a very dreadful Shape, and their manner of Worship is this, the *Braman* or Priest of the Place seats himself near the Altar, and gets up at some times to pray, and to mark such as come to adore the Devil, with a yellow Mark on their Foreheads; the stuff used by them for it, being a Composition of Water, Red-Wood, and Rice pulverized: They wear their Hair short, but their Heads are not shaved: The *Mahometans* use them as the Christians do the *Jews*: They are a sort of People who understand Business pretty well, and that trade in all things but living Creatures; but those they will not meddle with, lest they should sell their Friends Souls; for they believe the *Metempsychosis*. The *English* and *Dutch* make use of them for their Interpreters, and Factors in several parts of the *Indies*: They agree in this

this with the *Mahometans*, that they think the chiefest part of Religion consists in the Purification and Cleansing of their Bodies; for which Reason they Bathe themselves every day, and hold a Straw in their Hand, which is given them by the *Bramen* to keep evil Spirits off, and the *Bramen* Preaches to them while they are Washing themselves; they are divided into eighty three principal Sects, and these subdivided into an infinite Number of others, (since each Family has its particular Superstition) the four chief are the *Ceurawath*, *Samarath*, *Bisnow*, and *Goeghy*.

BAPTES, The Heathen Priests of *Cotyto*, the Goddess of Impurity, which was much esteemed at *Athens*, where her Festivals were kept in the Night, with all manner of Lewdness and Debauchery, they were called *Bapte*, from the Greek Word *βάπτειν*, which signifies to Wash or to Dip, because they used to plunge themselves into a Lukewarm Water.

BAPTISTS, See *Anabaptists*.

BARDESANISTES, Christian Hereticks in the East, and the followers of *Bardefanes*, who lived in *Mesopotamia* in the Eleventh Century, and was first the Disciple of *Valentinus*, but quitted that Heresy, and wrote not only against it, but against the *Marcionites*, and other Heresies of his time; he afterwards unhappily fell into the Errors he had before refuted; and besides those of the *Valentinians*, which he held some time before he died, he taught that the Doctrine of the Resurrection was false, and his Followers invented new Errors after him.

BAREK MOR, A form of Salutation used among the Christians of *Syria*, particularly in respect to

Ecclesiasticks: It signifies properly; *Bless, Father, Bless, Lord*: In the Year of the *Hegira*, 644. *Gajuk Khan* having succeeded his Father *Ocktar*, in the Empire of the *Mogul*, he so favoured the Christians, that he made them his chief Ministers; and Historians observe that the Number of those People who professed Christianity, was so great, that you could hear nothing else among them but *Barek Mor*, when they met and saluted one another.

BARNABAS, A Disciple of the Apostles of Christ, born in *Cyprus*, and living at *Jerusalem*, he quitted all his Temporal Estate for Christianity, sold a considerable Estate, and laid the Price at the Apostle's Feet; he was said to Preach in *Liguria*, or the Territories of *Genua*. The *Roman Martyrology* likewise informs us, that *St. Barnabas* died for the Faith in the Isle of *Cyprus*, in *Nero's* Reign, and the same has been generally fixed on the 11th of June in 61. His Corps was affirmed to have been found afterwards in the Reign of the Emperor *Zeno*, An. 485. With the Gospel of *St. Matthew* upon his Breast. *Origen*, *Clemens* of *Alexandria*, and *St. Jerom*, mention an Epistle of *St. Barnabas*, tho' it was not placed among those of the Apostles, and *Tertullian* with some others, believe him to have been the Author of the Epistle to the *Hebrews*.

BARNABITES, Called *Canons Regular* of *St. Paul*: An Order of Monks approved by Pope *Clement VII.* and *Paul III.* there have been several learned Men of the Order, and they have several Monasteries in *France*, *Italy*, and *Savoy*, they called them by the Name of *Canons* of *St. Paul*, because their first

first Founders had their Denomination from their Reading *St. Paul's Epistles*, and they are named *Barnabites*, for their particular Devotion for *St. Barnabas*.

BARSANIANS, or *Semidulites*, Hereticks that began to appear in the 6th Age; they maintained the Errors of the *Gradanautes*, and made their Sacrifices consist in taking Wheat Flower on the Top of their Finger, and carrying it to their Mouths.

St. BARTHOLOMEW, An Apostle of Christ, who was called by him in the Year 30. He preached the Gospel after the Resurrection of our Saviour in *Armenia Major*, *Albania* and the *East Indies* on this side the *Ganges*, or rather in *Æthiopia*, where he was in the Year 71. dead alive, by order of a Prince whose Brother he had converted: *Pautanus* a Christian Philosopher, who travelled into those Parts about 183. found his Memory in much Esteem there, and brought thence the Gospel of *St. Matthew*, which *St. Bartholomew* had left. Some of the Holy Fathers took him to be *Nathaniel*, and the ancient Hereticks ascribe a Gospel to him. *Dr. Cave* in his *Life of the Apostles*, supposes him to be *Nathaniel*, and observes that the Evangelist *John* never mentions him among the Number of the Apostles, so the other Evangelists never take notice of *Nathaniel*, because according to his Conjecture they were one and the same Person; and as in *St. John*, *Philip* and he are mentioned together, as coming to Christ, so in the rest of the Evangelists, *Philip* and *Bartholomew* were constantly put together, because called at the same time to the Discipleship; and adds as a clearer Proof, that *Nathaniel*

is mentioned among the other Apostles to whom our Saviour appeared after the Resurrection, *John* 21. 12. he supposes *Bartholomew* was not his proper Name, and that it only imported his relative Capacity, as the Son or Scholar of *Timolmaus Bar*, signifying Son in Hebrew, there being one *Timolmaus*, from whom the Sect of the *Timolmaeans*, Doctors of the Law, took their Denomination: After his Labours in *India*, he is said to have returned to the Western and Northern Parts of *Asia*; he was at *Hieropolis* in *Phrygia*, at the same time with *Philip*, designed for Martyrdom, and for that end fastned to the Cross, but on a sudden Conviction on the Governour, that God would revenge their Deaths, he was taken down and dismissed; after which he preached at *Lycaonia*, and at *Albanople* in *Armenia Major*, where the Governour commanded him to be Crucified with his Head downwards, *Daras* a City in *Persia*, *Lipara* one of the *Æolian Islands*, and *Benaventum* in *Italy*, do all of them pretend to have had his Body successively.

B A R U L E S, Christian Hereticks, who held, that the Son of God had only a Phantom of a Body, that Souls were created before the World, and that they lived all at one time.

B A R Z A K L I, The *Mahometans* call the Interval of time between the Death of a Man and his Resurrection by this Name; to go into *Barzakli*, according to their *Alcoran*, is to go into the Grave: The common Opinion of the *Mussulmen* upon this Occasion is, that Men neither go to Heaven nor Hell at this time. In the mean while *Soinli* has writ a

Book called *Baschira Katib Helka al Hatib*, wherein he maintains that the Souls of Believers enjoy the Beatifick Vision before the Resurrection: This Term *Barzacli* is also taken for the State of the Soul after Death.

St. BASIL, (Rules of) besides a great many eminent Duties relating to the Christian Life, he commanded the *Monks* to live together for the sake of mutual Help, Common Instruction, Exercise of Virtue, efficacy of Prayer, and security from Danger: That none without Tryal should be admitted into the fraternity; that they should dispose of their Wealth to the Poor and needy; that Children with the consent of their Parents, in the presence of Witnesses might be admitted; that stinted Measures should be set down for their eating and drinking; that their Apparel should be plain and decent, and they to wear a Girdle; that next to God, they should be obedient to their Superior, who should first reprove Offenders with Meekness and Gentleness; but if they proved obstinate, and would not be reclaimed, then he was to account them as Heathens and Publicans; that he should not suffer the least Offence to pass unreprieved; that they should confess their Faults to those who were the dispensers of holy Mysteries; that they should possess all things in common; that Men of Estates should render to their Kindred what was their due, and the remainder to the Poor; that none who were entered, should return to their Parents Houses, unless to give them Instructions, and that to be done by the Permission of their Superiors, that whosoever defamed, or patiently heard his

Brother defamed, should be excommunicated; that no Man should do his own will in the Monastery, or the least thing without the Superiors Leave; that they should debar no Man from entering into the Convent upon Tryal, nor give them any offence; that the Measure of Eating and Fasting should be set by the Superior; that he who scorned to receive a Garment when presented him, ought not to receive it when he afterwards asked for it; that those who through their own Fault did not come to Dinner at the fixed time, ought not to eat till the next Day at the same Hour; that none ought to give the least thing to the Poor, but by the Hands of those which were ordered for that Office; that they should be careful of the Utensils of the Monastery, and no less than if they were the Holy Vessels belonging to the Altar; that they should apply themselves to Handy-works, that so they might be helpful to others; that in token of Humility they should wear Sackcloth, and speak with Moderation; and that the *Monks* were not to discourse alone with Women.

BASILIDES, The Heresiarch of *Alexandria*, the Disciple of *Simon Magus*, lived in the second Age of Christianity: He imagined a ridiculous series of Gods, proceeding from one another, and from them Angels, who created each a Heaven, and he made the Number of these Heavens to amount to 366, to answer the Number of Days in the Year, and added that the Angels of the last Heaven created the Earth, and the Men that do inhabit it, and that their Prince was the God of the *Jews*, who de-

designed to make all the other People Subject to them: But the Father, who they say was unborn, and had no Name, sent his Son to prevent this injustice: This Son appeared in the shape of a Man, but was none; and the *Jews* put to death *Simon* the *Cyrenian* in his stead: And for this Reason, they held they ought not to believe in *Jesus Christ* Crucified, but in him that appeared to be nailed to the Cross, tho' he was not really so. He permitted all Carnal Lust, and made use of Images of Wax, and of all the Impieties of Magick: He denied the Resurrection of the Body; and maintained that God would pardon any Sins, but such as were committed through Ignorance: He dyed in the Reign of the Emperor *Adrian*, about the Year 125, and left a Son and Heir of his Impieties, named *Isidorus*, who wrote a Treatise, *De Adnata Anima*.

BATHEN ELMAL BATHEN, Internal Knowledge, which is an Inward and Spiritual Life, which consists, as the *Mahometans* say, in three things, viz. in the Knowledge of the Heart, in the Purification, and Illumination of it; this Exercise is also called by their Mystical Doctors *Tharicat* and *Hakikal*, that is, the way and the Truth.

BAYRAS, A Heretick *Jacobin*, who lived in the beginning of the Seventh Age of Christianity, and was one of the Masters and Particular Friend of the false Prophet *Mahomet*, whom he assisted in compiling his *Alcoran*.

BACTASCHITES, A Sect of *Mahometan* Monks, among the *Turks*, whose Founder was named *Bechasch*, and was Preacher to *Amarath* the I's Army, when he conquered the Despot of *Servia*:

This Prince being Stabbed by a *Croatian*, *Bechasch*, who was very near him, would not make his escape, but prepared himself for death; in this Resolution he took a White Habit with long Sleeves, and made his Disciples to kiss them, recommending to them the observation of his Rule; they say it is from thence, that the Custom proceeded of kissing the Grand Signior's Sleeve: The Religious of this Order wear White Caps of divers Pieces, with Turbans of Wool twisted like a Rope; they are also cloathed in White; the Janizaries of the Port make Profession of this Religion, and Historians relate, that *Bechasch*, as he dyed, cut one of the Sleeves of his Gown, and put it upon the Head of a Monk of his order, so as that one of the Ends hung below upon his Shoulders, saying, *Ye shall be henceforward Janizaries*, to wit, a new Soldiery; wherefore the Janizaries wear Laps, which hang backwards as a Sleeve, and these they call *Ketche* or *Zercole*.

BEKTASCHITES, BEKTASCHI, Another *Mahometan* Sect in *Turkey*, that had its Rise in the Time of *Solyman* the Magnificent, and prevailed first among the Janizaries; which seems to be an improper Subject for such gross Heads. Some call them *Zorati*, i. e. those who have Copulation with their own Kindred, and by the vulgar they are stiled *Mumscouduren*, or Extinguishers of the Candles: They observe *Mahomet's* Law in Divine Worship, more strictly than any of that Religion, but hold it unlawful to ascribe any Attributes to God, but say God is great and merciful, because his Nature being infinite and incomprehensible, it cannot fall under the Weak and Im-

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Imperfect Conceptions of Man's Understanding: Those People against the Instinct of Nature use Carnal Copulation with their own Children, the Parents mixing with their Sons and Daughters, without any Regard to Proximity of Blood; and as they are thus Wicked one Way, they are also easily induced to hear false Testimony in favour of their Sect.

BEEL PHEGOR, or *Baal Peor*, An Idol of the Heathen *Moabites*, to which they offered Sacrifices, of which Mention is made in the Book of *Numbers*, and that part of the Children of *Israel*, gave themselves to the Impure and Execrable Worship of that false Deity, and that God took a dreadful Vengeance on them. *Rabbi Solomon* believes this Name signifies to loose a point before some Body, and that these Idolaters did this obscene Action before *Beel Phegor*: Its probable that that Pagan Divinity which was worshipped upon Mount *Pheger*, or *Phegor*, was *Saturn*, according to *Theodoret*; *St. Jerom* believed that *Beel Phegor* was the God *Priapus*.

BEELZEBUB, or *Balzebub*, that is, God-fly, or God of a Fly, was the Name of a famous Heathen Idol of *Eckron*, mentioned in the second Book of *Kings*, concerning which, some Authors believe the *Jews* gave it this Name in Derision, because in the Temple of *Jerusalem* there were no Flies seen on the Victims. *Scaliger* is of this Opinion; but 'tis much more probable that the *Eckronites* themselves gave this Name to their God, since *Ahaziah*, who sent to consult this false Divinity, calls him by that Name, and that there is no likelihood he should consult a God, whom he derided. It seems this

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Idol was named, *The God Fly*, or of a Fly, because he was called upon against Flies, for the *Arcadians* every Year sacrificed to such a like Deity, which they call *Myagros*; the *Jews*, out of the Hatred they bore to this Idol, called the Devil *Beelzebub*.

BEGNARDS and *Beguines*, A certain Sect of pretended Heretics, who rose in *Germany*, and the Low Countries about the end of the 13th Age of Christianity; they made profession of a Monastical Life, without observing Celibacy, and maintained, if we may believe the Monks, most pernicious Errors; for they believe that Man could become as Perfect in this Life, as he shall be in Heaven; that every intellectual Nature is of it self happy, without the Succour of Grace; and that he who is in this State of Perfection, ought to perform no good Works, nor worship the Host; these Heretics found many Followers in *Germany*, tho' they were condemned in several Councils: They were banished out of *Basil* by the Instigation of *Mulberg*, a *Dominican* Preacher, their Houses were given to the Bishops and others, and their Furniture to the *Franciscans*, in 1411, The *Beguines* were of two Sorts, the first made no Vows, and followed the Opinion of the *Beguards* and *Margaret Parret*; the others were not condemned, and lived under the Constitution of one *St. Beggar*, Sister to *St. Gertrude*, or as others say, of a Priest named *Lambert Begha*: Pope *Innocent XII.* Successor to *Clement*, distinguished these two Sorts of *Beguards*, which is the more worthy of Observation, because there are yet some of these Names in the Low Countries.

BEHEMOTH, in general signifies Beasts of Burden, and all manner of Cattle, and it is taken in *Job* 40. for an Ox of an extraordinary Bigness: The *Talmudist* Doctors, and Allegorical Authors of the *Jews*, and *R. Eliezer* among others, say, that God Created this great Beast, named *Behemoth*, the Sixth Day, and that it feeds upon a Thousand Hills in one Day, and that the Grass of these Thousand Mountains grew up again during the Night, and that the Waters of *Jordan* serve him for Drink; they add, that this *Behemoth* is appointed to make a great Banquet to the Just at the End of the World; however, the most judicious *Jews* give no Credit to this Story, but say, 'tis an Allegory, that signifies the Joy and Pleasure of the Just, which are figured by this Feast. *Bochartus* has shewn at large in the second Part of his *Hierozyicon*, that the *Behemoth* of *Job*, is the *Hippotamus*, or a River-Horse.

BEIRAM, See *Bairam*.

BEITO LLAH; the Name of the Mosch at *Mecca* in *Arabia*, and signifies, the House of God; the *Mahometans* call it also *Kiblah*, because the *Turks* are obliged to turn their Faces towards it when they say their Prayers. See *Kiblah*.

BELIAL, the Name of an Idol of the *Sidonians*, which name the Apostle *St. Paul* gives to *Satan*; *Aquilla* expounds this word by that of Apostate, and the *Chaldeans* by that of Malignity.

BELLONA, a false Divinity of the *Pagans*, and reputed to be the Goddess of War; the Wife, Mother or Nurse of *Mars*: Some will have her to be *Minerva* or *Pallas*; she was so much honoured by the

Capadocians, that they reared a Temple for her in the City of *Comana*, and her Priest or Sacrificer was the first Person in honour and dignity next the King. *Appius Claudius* built her a Temple at *Rome*, according to the Vow he had made in the Battle against the *Sammites*, and its Festival was kept on the fourth day before the Nones of *June*, being the Day of the Dedication of the Temple to her by *Appius*: Her Priests, who according to her Name were called *Bellonarii*, drew Blood from all parts of their Bodies, to appease her with that Sacrifice: Some thought that they had the gift of Prophecie, to foretel the great Events of War; for which end they fell into a fury, and holding naked Swords in their hands, cut deep gashes in their Arms and Thighs, and with the Blood that issued out of those Wounds, made a Sacrifice to *Bellona*, without Offering any other Victim, according to *Tibullus* in these Lines:

*Hæc ubi Bellonæ motu est agitata,
nec acrem*

*Flammam, non amens verbera torta
timet.*

*Ipsa bipenne suos cædit violenta La-
certos,*

*Sanguineoque effuso spargit inepta de-
am*

*Statque latus præfixa veru, stat sa-
mia pectus,*

*Et canit eventus, quos dea magna
movet.*

BELUS; a Pagan Deity, of which the Ancients give us no clear account; *Hesychius* says, it was Heaven or *Jupiter*, and that the Sun was called *Bela*; *St. Jerome* and *Isidore*, were of Opinion, that *Saturn* was named *Belus*, while *He-*

Herodian in the Life of *Maximian* assures us, that the People of *Aquileia* gave the Sun the Name of *Beles*, and some Manuscripts and Inscriptions call him *Belinus* or *Belenus*. The God *Baal* or *Baal Phegor*, mention'd in the Old Testament, was the same *Belus* who was the Author of the Idolatry or Priesthood of the *Chaldeans*: I might mention here another *Belus* the Son of *Neptune*, who marry'd *Isis* after the Death of *Apis* her first Husband, when *Cecrops* Reigned at *Athens*, but enough of this.

BEEL or *Belus*, according to *Varro*, was the same as *Jupiter* the Son of *Saturn*, and the first *St. Cyril* informs us in his third Book of *Julian the Apostate*, who took upon himself the Name of God, and set up Idolatry, causing Temples to be built, Altars to be erected, and Sacrifices to be Offered to himself, which his Son *Ninus* and Queen *Semiramis* much promoted.

BENEDICTINES, an Order of *St. Benet* in the *Romish* Church, and called according to his Name; he was the first, that brought a Monastick Life in esteem in the West, and as this Order is the most ancient, so it is the most famous in that Church, having been instituted towards the beginning of the 6th. Century: *Oden* Abbot of *Cluni* began to reform the Benedictines about the year 940, from whence came the Congregation of *Cluni*; that of *St. Justina* of *Padua* and Mount *Cassin* was established in *Italy* in 1408, and renewed in 1504, that of *St. Maurus* in *France* was begun in 1621. Moreover this Order of *Benedictines* hath been the Source of several others, who follow the

Rule of the first Founder, and have made new Branches of Monks in the Church of *Rome*, the most considerable of which are the Orders of the *Camaldoli* of *Valambre*, of the *Carthusians*, of *Citeaux*, of *Grammont*, the *Celestians*, the *Humiliests*, the *Silvestrians*, the *Olivators*, and some others of which in their proper places.

The Rules of this *Bennet* are very long, but we'll reduce them to as narrow compass we can; after he had exhorted his Monks to obedience, he describes the good qualities an Abbot ought to have, who he saith in a Monastery represents the Person of *Jesus Christ*, in that he should consult even with the youngest of his Monks in important Affairs; then he treats of the Instruments of Good Works, which he reduceth to seventy two Precepts, that are the most eminent duties of the Christian Life, as to love God, our Neighbour, &c. He commands obedience to the Superiour, Silence, and assigns twelve degrees of Humility, viz. to fear God, not to love to do ones own Will, to submit himself to his superior in all obedience for the love of God; to discover all his most secret Faults and Sins to his Abbot; to suffer patiently all sorts of Injuries; to be content with the meanest things; to think meanest of himself; to do nothing but what the common rule of the Monastery, and the Example of the Ancients gave them a President for; to speak nothing unless being asked; not to laugh easily; that being obliged to speak, to do it without laughter, with gravity in a few words and low voice; to be not only humble in heart but behaviour; every where to hang down his head and Eyes, and he

promises to him, who shall have surmounted all these degrees of humility, to arrive at that perfect Charity which drives away Fear. Having regulated the Laws for the Monks to go to Church in the Night, he orders the Office and number of Psalms they were to sing in the night during Winter, also for Summer, and Sunday-nights, Week-days, Holy day nights, when to sing Allelujah; the Office of the Church for the day; will have them every Week sing the Psalter through, and when singing at Church, they ought to remember they are in the presence of God, and of his Angels; that they ought to accompany their Prayers with a profound inward respect; that the Common prayers ought to be short, and that they should go out of Church all together, when the Superiour gave the sign; if numerous, they were to be divided by Tens. After having regulated the manner the Monks should keep, he prescribes that the Rebellious and Disobedient, after secret Admonitions and publick Reprehension, ought to be Excommunicated, and if for all this he did not mend, he was to be corporally chastised, and he that without the Abbots leave kept company with an excommunicate Person, was himself to be excommunicated; he prescribes the care the Abbot ought to have of those that are Excommunicated; that Children & such as knew not what Excommunication means, are to be punished by fasting and whipping; that the Monks are to possess all in Common; that they ought to serve weekly by turns in the Kitchen, &c. Reading ought to be appointed during their meals, and they were to eat with silence,

and he would have a spiritual Lecture to be read every day before Evening Prayers, after which they were to be very silent in the Night; he prescribes punishments for the Lazy and Excommunicated Persons; orders the time for working and reading Tracts of the observing of Lent; at what time he more particularly recommends the exercise of all sorts of Vertues. That all Guests or Strangers ought to be received into the Monastery, as if they were Christ himself, they ought first to go with them to Prayer, then to adore Christ in them by ones humble Prostration at their Feet, which the Abbot and Monk must wash, but above all they must make much of the Poor.

Then he comes to speak of the Reception of *Novices*, that they ought to be try'd by denials, hard words and other ill usages some days before they enter the Monastery; that they ought to be Probationers for a whole year; he prescribes the manners of presenting Children to the Monastery; the method of initiating a Priest to be a Monk; settles the Order of Precedence, that they ought to defend or excuse one anothers Faults in the Monastery; that none should be struck or Excommunicated without the Abbots leave; that in everything they do, they ought to be possessed with a good Zeal, and to esteem nothing above the love of Christ. He concludes his Rule with saying that all the observance of Justice is not contained in it; he exalts the Holy Scriptures, and says that every page of the Old, as well as of the New Testament, is a just Rule of Human Life; recommends the Reading of the Fathers, and says his only Rule is no more than

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than a small beginning of Perfection, which openeth the way to a far greater.

BENEFICE, originally signified Funds given to Soldiers for a Reward of their Services, but it afterward passed into the Church, wherein the like Funds were given for the Subsistence of the Clergy: Their true Original appears not to have been before the 12th Age, when the Revenues of the Church were divided, whence came the new Law upon that matter, the cognizance whereof the Popes cunningly retained to themselves: But tho' this be true in general, yet there are some Footsteps of Benefices to be found from the Year 500, under Pope *Symmachus*; but it was not common, for at that time a Clerk, who had served the Church well, had a Field given him for an Estate, from which he drew his Subsistence, which then was very rare, because the Ecclesiasticks lived on the Liberalities that were given them, and were divided amongst them every Month, as appears by the Canons of some Councils: The Oblation was made after reading the Gospel till the Twelfth Century, and it is what the Church of Rome still calls Offertory at the *Mass*; but this Oblation was laid aside when the Mendicant Fryars were introduced into the Church, for then the people left off making their Offering: When this Offering was presented, a whole *Psalms* was sung, whence the Word offertory in the *Mass* proceeded.

BENEFICES, (*Consistorial*) Great Benefices, as Bishopricks, and other Prelacies, so called in the Church of Rome, because the Pope confers the same, after Deliberation in the Consistory of Cardinals:

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But divers Popish Princes claim this Right in their own Dominions to themselves.

BIBLE, A Name given to a Collection of Holy Books, writ by Divine Inspiration, and divided into the *Old* and *New Testament*: The most ancient Translation of the *Old Testament* is the *Septuagint*, which, as is commonly supposed, was performed by 72 *Jews*, at the Instance of *Ptolomy*, the Son of *Lagus*, King of *Ægypt*. *Aquila*, *Theodosian*, and *Symmachus* afterwards made New Translations: *Origen* inserted all these Versions in his *Hexapla*, setting them on the side of the *Hebrew* Text, and dividing them by Columns: The Evangelists, Apostles and Fathers made use of the *Septuagint*, and the *Italick*, or ancient *Latin* Translation, was likewise made from this Version, tho' *St. Jerom* afterwards Translated from the *Hebrew*: See *Septuagint* and *Testament*.

BIBLES, (*Arabick*) There are a very great Number of these, of which some are for the use of the *Jews*, in the Countries where they speak *Arabick*, and the others for the use of the *Eastern Christians*, who speak that Language: Those which are for the use of the *Jews*, have all been made from the *Hebrew*, but such as the Christians have, have been translated from other Versions: The *Syrians*, for Example, when the *Syrian* Tongue ceased to be commonly understood, turned their *Syriack* Bible into *Arabick*, and the *Copti* have also translated theirs into *Arabick*, that it might be understood by the People.

BIBLES, (*Armenian*) There is a pretty ancient Version of the whole Bible in the *Armenian* Tongue, for the use of those Peo-

Ple who are now scattered in divers Countries: It was translated from the *Septuagint*, and because the *Manuscript Copies* were over-dear, an Archbishop of that Nation, printed at *Amsterdam* an entire *Armenian Bible*, in 1664. but the *Psalter* had been printed long before in that Language.

BIBLES, (*Chaldee*) Otherwise called *Paraphrase* or *Targum*, are a kind of *Glosses*, which the *Jews* made upon the Bible, at what time they spoke *Chaldee*; but several things were added in process of time, which renders them not very exact; *Elias Levita*, in the Preface before his *Chaldee Dictionary*, speaks of these *Paraphrases* with more exactness than any other *Jew*: The best are those of *Onkelos*, which is but on the five Books of *Moses*; and that of *Jonathan* upon all the Books the *Jews* call *Prophets*, viz. *Joshua*, *Judges*, *Kings*, and the great and smaller *Prophets*. The *Chaldee Paraphrases* upon the other Books of the Bible, are for the most part full of Fables, and deserve not to be printed.

BIBLES, (*Coptick*) the Bibles of the Christians of *Aegypt*, called *Copti's* or *Copti's*, written in the ancient Language of that Country, of which nothing has hitherto been printed; but *Manuscript Copies* are found in some Libraries of *Europe*, especially in the *French King's*; and here its worth observing that as the ancient *Coptick Tongue* has not been commonly used by the *Copti* themselves of a long time; they commonly joyn to the *Coptick* another *Arabick Version*, which is the Language of their Country.

BIBLES, (*Ethiopian*) we have no Bibles altogether *Ethiopian*, but some Fragments only, as the *Psal-*

ter, the *Canticles*, the *New-Testament*, which hath been separately Printed, and Reprinted since, in the *Polyglot of England*: It was a Version made from the *Septuagint*, and perhaps upon the *Copti* taken from the *Septuagint*, because this Nation depends upon the *Copti*.

BIBLES, (*Greek*) whereof there are sundry Editions, which yet may all be reduced to three Classes, viz. to that of *Complutus* or *Alcala*, which was printed in the great Bible of Cardinal *Ximenes*, in 1515, and reprinted in the Royal or *Plantin's Bible*, in the Bible of *Comelin*, and in the great Bible of *la Jay*, the second, that of *Venice* in 1515, which has been reprinted several times by the Protestants of *Germany*, at *Strasburg* in 1526; *Basil* 1545, with a Preface of *Melancthon*, at the same place in 1550, with a Latin Version: At *Frankfort*, in 1597, with notes, as is supposed, by *Francis Young*, the Third is the *Roman Edition* in 1587, drawn from an Ancient Manuscript that is in the *Vatican*. A Latin Translation of it was published the next Year with the Notes of *Flaminius*, and *Father Morin*, Printed at *Paris* in 1628. the *Greek and Latin* in two Columns, with the Distinction of Verses, which was not in the Edition of *Rome*: The *English* have printed in their *Polyglot Bible*, this Edition of *Rome*, believing it to be the Best of all, which they added the various Readings of the *Alexandrian Manuscripts*.

BIBLES, (*Hebrew*) they are either Manuscript or Printed; the most ancient Manuscripts are not much above 700 Years Old, and 'tis very rare to find any so ancient; the best are those which have been written

written by the *Spanish Jews*; there are several of this kind in the *French King's Library*, and in the *Library of the Fathers of the Oratory at Paris*, but not one of them that exceeds 300 Years: Those that have been writ by the *German Jews*, are the worst of all, for the Characters are neither fair nor square; as are those of the *Spanish Hebrew Bibles*.

BIBLES, (*Latin*) To say nothing of those made in these latter times, but only of such as have been translated for the use of the *Latin Church*, they are of two sorts, viz. the Ancient which is called *Italick*, translated in the first Ages from the *Septuagint*, was read throughout all the Churches of the West, till after the time of *Gregory the Great*; the other, which is still in use, and called *Vulgar*, was the Version of *St. Jerom*, from the *Hebrew*, excepting the *Psalms*, which were kept after the old Translation, because they were sung in the Churches; the Council of *Trent* decreed that the *Vulgar* should be corrected, after their Manner, and then only used in the *Latin Church*: This was performed by the Censors of *Rome* under Pope *Sixtus V.* and *Clement VIII.* but before the Correction of these two Popes, several had taken the Liberty to reform it, as may be seen in the *Latin Edition*, Printed in the *Bible of Complutus*: The Divines of *Lovain* and *Paris* also applied themselves to this Correction, and chiefly the first, who have made several Editions of the *Vulgar*, with some useful and curious Amendments: *Robert Stephens* hath also done the same thing; but the best of all these *Latin Editions*, is that of 1541. in *Folio*, where are seen in the

Margin the various Readings, drawn from a great number of Manuscript Copies.

BIBLES, (*Muscovite*) Those People have also printed a Version of the *Bible* in their Language from the *Greek*, seeing they profess the Belief and Rites of the *Greek Church*: Those who have a Desire to be thoroughly informed of the *Bibles* in all Languages, which have been Translated in these latter times, as well by Papists as Protestants, may consult that Book of *Kortholthus a German*, Entituled, *De variis Bibliorum Editionibus*, wherein they will find very curious Things concerning the Northern Translations of the *Bible*; but that done at the Charge of the late Honourable *Robert Boyle Esq;* into *Irish*, for the Benefit of the *Scotch Highlanders*, being so Modern, as not to come within his Cognizance, I could not but mention it in this place, to the perpetual Honour of that Great and Good Person.

BIBLES, (*Persian*) The Ancient Fathers made mention of a Version of the Scripture into *Persian*; but there are no Remains of it. The *Jews* of *Constantinople* have printed a Translation of the *Pentateuch* into *Persian*, in this latter Age in *Hebrew Characters*; and it's Reprinted in *Persian Characters*, in the *Polyglot of England*, wherein hath also been Printed a *Persian Version* of the *New Testament*.

BIBLES, (*Samaritan*) The *Samaritans* admit only of the Five Books of *Moses*, which they read in *Hebrew* as well as the *Jews*, being only different from them in Characters, as *St. Jerom* has observed. Father *Morin* was the first that Printed this *Hebrew Pentateuch* of the *Samaritans*, with a Version

which is called *Samaritan*, tho' it is in a Tongue that is almost the same with the *Chaldee*; both of them are in the Great Bible of Mr. *la Fay*, and in the *Polyglot* of *England*: The *Samaritans* have an *Arabick* Version of the *Pentateuch*, which was never printed, and so is very rare: There are two Copies of it in the *French King's* Library, the Author's Name is *Abusaid*, and he added thereto some literal Notes in the *Margin*: They have also a History of *Joshua*, but they do not look upon it, as a Canonical Book, neither doth it agree with the True Book of *Joshua*, that makes part of the Holy Scripture.

BIBLES, (*Syriack*) There are two Sorts of *Syriack* Versions of the *Old Testament*; the first from the *Septuagint*, not printed; the other Translated from the *Hebrew*, first printed in the great Bible of Mr. *la Fay*, and is used by the Eastern Christians, who followed the *Syrian Rites*: As to the *Syriack New Testament*, some Authors believe it to be very ancient, and others not: *Adam Windman Stadius*, was the first that printed it in 1562 at *Vienna*, in very fair *Syriack* Characters.

BLANDRALAS, (*George*) A Heretick in the sixteenth Age of Christianity, was of *Piedmont*, or according to others of the Marquisate of *Saluces*: He practised Physick in *Poland*, and *Transylvania*; from whence in his Return from *Italy*, he was seized for his Heterodoxy; but having escaped the Inquisition at *Padua*, he retired to *Geneva*, and being uneasy there travelled back to *Poland* and *Transylvania*: He taught a refined sort of *Arianism*, maintaining the three Persons, and three Essences in the

Holy Trinity, and that the Father only was true God, and being Physician to *John Sigismond King* of *Poland*, poisoned him with his Errors.

BOEDROMIA, Heathen Festivals celebrated by the *Athenians* in Remembrance of the Succour that *Ion* the Son of *Xuthus* gave them in their War with *Eumolpus* the Son of *Neptune*, in the time of King *Erechtheus*: Some say the Name came from a *Greek* Word, which signified to run with eagerness, or crying out (from *βοῆς* Clamor, and *δρόμος*, Race) or to run to help from *βοῦθειν* Succour, and *δρόμιον*, to run; but others are of Opinion, that the *Athenians* celebrated this Feast Yearly, in Honour of *Apollo*, for the Victory which *Theseus*, gained over the *Amazons*, and from it, *Apollo* had the Name of *Boedromius*.

BOMANICKS, Young Men of *Lacedæmonia*, who took pride to endure the Lashes of Whips, which were given them at the Sacrifices of *Diana*, the Name being derived from *Βόμπος*, an Altar, because they were scourged before the Altar of that False Goddess, and have been but too much imitated herein by the flagelations used in the Church of *Rome*.

BONA DEA, The Good Goddess, named by the Ancients *Fatua*, or *Senta*, was a Pagan Deity, had in great Veneration by the *Roman Ladies*; she was indeed no other than *Dryas* the Wife of *Faunus*, of exemplary Chastity; they sacrificed to her in the Night in a little Chappel, into which Men were not allowed to enter, or be present at her Sacrifices; whence it is that *Cicero* imputes it to *Clodius* as a Crime, that he had entred into this Chappel in disguise, and by his presence had polluted the

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Mysteries of the Good Goddess : This Sacrifice was Annually kept in the House of the High-Priest, and that by his Wife with the Virgins Consecrated to this false Divinity, by whom some meant the Earth, and for that Reason, she was sacrificed to by that People, because nothing was so dear to them as the Fruits of the Earth ; however this hinders not their meaning *Fauna*, an ancient Queen of *Italy*, by this Deity : Its certain that in the ancient times of Heathenism and Obscurity, all Human Worship Terminated upon material Beings, as the Heavens, Stars, Earth, Sea, and other things of the like Nature, which Men ignorantly believed to be the sole Causes of all the Good and Evil that hapned in the World ; but in process of time the Religious Respect they entertained for these Beings, extended it self with somewhat more Reason to the Persons themselves, who had invented this Worship, and perswaded others to it, and this Adoration increased more and more in succeeding Ages, thro' the Respect which Antiquity begets, and the great Pre-eminence it gives to all things ; and because Men always had an Inclination to think their Gods like themselves, they came by Degrees not only to Deify the Inventors of these Worships, but also to confound them with the Deities they had found out : Hence it came to pass that the same Heathen Divinity was Worshipped in several parts of the World under different Names, as the *Mythologists* confess, because they bear the Names of those Eminent Persons, who had each of them settled their Worship in those Countries, wherefore 'tis probable that it was *Fauna* who

first began the Worship of the Earth, at least in *Italy*, since she was afterwards confounded with that Deity: They and she might be called *Bona Dea*, for a very good Heathen Reason, because there is nothing that does Men more good than the Earth. It was in respect to the Signal Chastity of *Fauna*, (as already hinted) that all Men were forbid to be present at her Worship, and therefore the High Priest himself in whose House it was performed, and who was the chief Minister at all others, was not excepted ; since he was obliged to depart out of his House before they began, and to carry along with him all the Men that were there, of what Quality soever they were : Nay, all Pictures also, which represented any Male were covered ; the Vestal Virgins were summoned to it : Of all plants wherewith the House was to be furnished, only the Myrtle was forbid, because it was consecrated to *Venus*, and her Service began just at Night.

BONASIANS, Certain *Hereticks* that sprung up in the fourth Age of Christianity ; who said that *Jesus Christ* is the Son of God only by Adoption.

BONGOMILES, or *Bogomiles* ; *Hereticks* so denominated from *Bogomilus* a Monk ; this was a Heresy made up of *Manicheism* and *Massalianism*, and contained many monstrous and absurd Tenets ; they despised the Mysteries of Christianity, called the Churches the Devils Temples, and made no account of the Holy Sacrament ; they were strangely positive in their beloved Heterodoxies, and firmly believed they could endure any Torment without Sense of Pain : They believed God had a

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Human Form, and that *St. Michael* the Arch-Angel was incarnate: They made Use of none but the Lord's Prayer; and believed they could conceive and bring forth the Word, as well as the blessed Virgin; and understood nothing of the Resurrection, but Repentance and a Good Life: This Heresy was Condemned in a Council at *Constantinople*, held in 1143.

BONS-HOMMES, A sort of Christian Monks established in *England* by Prince *Edmund*, they professed the Rule of *St. Augustin*, and wore a Blew Coat. *Spondanus* believes that they followed the Institution of *John le Bon*, who lived in that Age: This Name was also given to the *Minims* in *France*.

BORBORITES, A Sect of the *Gnosticks* in the second Century of Christianity, who besides the Errors of those Hereticks, denied the last Judgment.

BOREAS, called also *Aquilo*, the North Wind, whose descent is represented by the Heathen Poets, to be the Son of *Astæus*; but from what Human Race soever he came, the Pagans deified him, and *Pausanias* tells us, the *Megalopolitans* of *Greece*, gave as great Honour to the Wind *Boreas*, as to any Deity whatsoever, because he had assisted them with a great Force against the Attempt made upon them by the *Lacedæmonians*, and according to the same Author they dedicated an Altar, and offered Sacrifice to him every Year.

BORRELISTES, Mr. *Stoup* in his Treatise of the Religion of the *Hollanders*, speaks of this Sect who had some Understanding in the *Latin*, *Greek*, and *Hebrew* Tongues, and whose Tenets were to entertain for the most part the Opinions of the *Thermidites*, tho' they never fre-

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quented their Assemblies: They were of a very severe Life, employing part of their Means to give Alms, and acquitting themselves in many things as good Christians; but then he says they had an Aversion to all Churches, the Use of Sacraments, Publick Prayers, and all External Acts of Worship: They asserted, that all the Christian Churches since the Death of the Apostles, and their Successors had degenerated from the pure Doctrine, because they had suffered the Word of God, which is infallible, to be expounded, or rather Corrupted by Doctors that were not infallible, and yet would make their Confessions, Catechisms, Liturgies, and Sermons to pass for what they were not.

BRACHMANS, A Sect of *Gymnosophists*, or Philosophers among the *Indians*, famous enough in the Works of the Ancients, and particularly represented to us by *Strabo*, as a People devoted to as much Religion, as the *Jews* were; saying of them, that as soon as their Children were born, their Doctors went and blest their Mothers, and gave them some Virtuous Instructions; that while they were in their Infancy they appointed them Masters, and accustomed them to a thrifty Way of Living, that they taught in their Philosophy to Marry, and allowed none to Marry till they were 37 Years Old; that their Life was very Laborious and Mortifying, but after that, they allowed something more Liberty; that their Doctrine was, that this Life was only a Preparation and Passage to an Eternal and Happy Life to those who lived Well; that the Joy and Grief, Good and Evil of this World were but Dreams and Phantoms; that they were

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were much of the same Opinion with the *Greeks*, that the World had a beginning, but should have no End; and that God made it, governed it, was present in it, and filled it. *Clemens of Alexandria* speaks of the *Brachmans* almost in the same manner, and assures us that they would not Eat any living Creature, nor Drink Wine, but observed a continual Continency, eat but once a Day, and some of them only once in two or three Days, and that they looked upon Death, as a Passage into another Life. Farther, They believed that the Souls of Men; passed into Beasts, and especially Oxen; and the ancient Philosophers went often into the *Indies* to consult them; nay, 'tis thought that *Pythagoras* had learnt the Opinion of the *Metempsychosis* or *Transmigration* of Souls from them. The *Gentiles* at this time called *Banians*, who live in the *Indies*, and particularly in *Indostan*, have their Priests whom they call *Brachmans* or *Brahmens*: They say that God, whom they Name *Achari*, having resolved to create the World, he created three most perfect Beings to be Instruments of it: The first was *Brahma*; which signifies Penetrating; the Second *Beschen*, which signifies Existing in all things; and the Third *Mehabdu*, is Great Lord; that he created the World, preserves it by *Brahma*, and that he will destroy it by *Beschen*, and *Mehabdu*: They add that this *Brahma* published four Books which they call *Beths*; that is, Science; because they pretend that all the Sciences are comprehended in them: The first is called *Atherbabed*, the second *Zagerbed*, the third *Rekbed*, and the fourth *Samabed*: These People are distin-

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guished into four Tribes: The first are *Brahmens*, who teach Religion and Law, the second *Quetteties*, or Soldiers; the third, *Besme*, or Merchants, who are properly the *Banians*; and the fourth consist of Trades and Husbandmen, whom they call *Scidra*. They all agree in the Doctrine of *Transmigration* of Souls, and that it is not lawful for them to eat or kill any living Creature: Yet there are some of the second Tribe who may eat them, provided they be neither Cow nor Peacock, having a great Respect for these Creatures.

BRANCHIDÆ, the Heathen Priests of *Apollo Didymæus*, who uttered his Oracles near the Promontory of *Ionia*, the Name being deduced from one *Branchus* a *Thessalian*, who affirmed himself to be the Son of *Apollo*, and to whom Sacrifices were offered as a Deity.

BRUMA, A false Deity of the *Brachmans*, who according to their Fables, produced as many Worlds as he had considerable Parts in his Body; they say, that the first World which is over Heaven, was formed of his Brain; the second, of his Eyes, the third, of his Mouth, the fourth, of his left Ear; the fifth of the Roof of his Mouth and Tongue; the sixth, of his Heart; the seventh, of his Belly; the eighth of his Privy Parts; the ninth, of his left Thigh; the tenth, of his Knees; the eleventh, of his Heel; the twelfth, of the Toes of his Right Foot; the thirteenth, of the Sole of the Left Foot, and the fourteenth, of the Air that environed him. In some of the Statues and Representations of this Idol, the first World is marked on the Top of his Head; the second, upon his Right Eye; the third,

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upon his Mouth; the fourth, upon the Left Eye; the fifth, upon his Throat; the sixth, the seventh, eighth, and ninth, as I just now said; the tenth, upon his Right Thigh; the eleventh, upon his Right Foot; the twelfth, upon his Left Foot; the thirteenth, under the Sole of the Left Foot; and the fourteenth, upon an Oval, which represents the Air where-with he is environed. The *Brachmans* would make People believe that there is a Relation betwixt these Worlds, and the parts from which they have sprung, and that each Man hath different Qualities conformable to the World that hath produced him: That the Wise-Men come from the first World, as also the learned and fine Wits; from the second, Prudent Men; from the third, Eloquent; from the fourth, Crafty and Subtil; from the fifth, Gluttons; from the sixth, Liberal; from the seventh, Cowards; from the eighth, Lascivious; from the ninth, Tradesmen and Labourers; from the tenth, Gardeners; from the eleventh, Handicrafts-men; from the twelfth, Murderers and Thieves; from the thirteenth, the violent Oppressors of the Poor; and from the fourteenth, those who have the Gift of doing all things Well.

BRUMALES, A Heathen Festival in honour of that false Deity *Bacchus*, whom the ancient *Latins* call *Brumus*: The *Romans* celebrated it twice a Year, viz. the 18th of *February*, and the 25th of *August*.

BUABIN, An Heathen Idol of the People of *Tonquin*, betwixt *China* and *India*, whom they invoke when they are about Building a House, &c. they erect an Altar, and call some of the *Bonzes* to of-

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fer Sacrifices upon it to this Idol, and after the Sacrifice is over, they prepare a Feast of the Meats which had been offered, then they present several gilded Papers to this false Deity, which have some Magick Words writ in them; and afterwards burn them with Perfumes before the Idol, to oblige it, by this Ceremony, to preserve the Structure they were about from all unlucky Accidents.

EUBONA, A Goddess of Pagan Antiquity, to whom was ascribed the Care of Oxen, and other great Cattle.

BULL in *Cena Domini*, thus they call a Bull in the Church of *Rome*, which is publicly read on the Day of the Lord's Supper, viz. *Holy Thursday*, by a Cardinal Deacon in the Pope's Presence, accompanied with the other Cardinals and the Bishops: The same contains an Excommunication of all that are called by that Apostate Church Hereticks, the Stubborn and Disobedient to the Holy See. And after the Reading of this Bull, the Pope throws a burning Torch into the Publick Place, to denote the Thunder of this *Anathema*: It's declared expressly, in the beginning of the Bull of Pope *Paul* the III. of the Year 1536. that it is an Ancient Custom of the Sovereign Pontiffs to publish this Excommunication on *Holy Thursday*, to preserve the Purity of the Christian Religion, and to keep the Union of the Faithful, but the Original of this Ceremony is not inserted in it: The Principal Heads of this Bull concern Hereticks and their Upholders, Pyrats, Imposers of New Customs, those who falsify the Bulls and other Apostolick Letters; those who abuse the Prelates of the Church; those

that trouble or would restrain Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, even under Pretence of preventing some Violence, tho they might be Counsellors or Advocates, Generals to secular Princes, whether Emperors, Kings, or Dukes, those who usurp the Goods of the Church, &c. All these Cases are reserved to the Pope, and no Priest can give Absolution in such a Case, if it be not at the Point of Death: The Council of *Tours*, in 1510, declared the Bull in *Cana Domini*, void, in respect to *France*, which has often protested against it, in what relates to the King's Prerogative, and the Liberties of the *Gallican Church*, and there are now but few other Popish Princes or States that have much Regard to it, so much is the Authority of the Papal Chair declined since the Reformation, even over those that still remain in the Communion of what they call, *The Roman Catholick Church*.

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CABALA, in *Hebreu* signifies *Receptio*, which is a secret Knowledge some *Jews* pretend to receive by Tradition and Divine Revelation, whereby they explain all Mysteries of Divinity, and all the Operations of Nature. See *Cabalists*.

CABALISTS, A certain Sect among the *Jews*, which adhere to the Tradition of the Ancients, or to that Science, which they pretend, contains all the Mysteries of the Ancient Law, all the Secrets of the ineffable Name of God, the Celestial Hierarchies, the Science of Numbers, and many other: This Knowledge they divide into Speculative, which consists in the Contemplation and Search of those

Mysteries, and into Practick, which consists in the *Talismans*, in the Science of the Planets and Stars, and perhaps of Magick and the Philosopher's Stone: Many of the *Jews* are so obstinate and headstrong herein, that they apply themselves to Magick, abusing the Name of God and Angels, in Expectation of performing supernatural Things. Its probable the *Cabala* had its Origin from the Philosophy of *Plato* and *Pythagoras*, which some of the *Jews* have intermixed with their Religion, adding an infinite number of Dreams, and ridiculous Superstitions, as you may see in the Books of *Adam*, *Enoch*, *Solomon*, *Zohar*, and divers others: Hereticks in the first Ages of Christianity, easily fell into the Superstitions and Whimsies of the *Cabalists*, especially the *Valentinians* and *Basilians*, of whom there are yet some *Agates* with Medals remaining, having *Hieroglyphick* Figures engraven on them, which much resemble the *Talismans* of the *Jews*. There are yet some Figures of their making found, which the *Latins* call *Amuleta*, a kind of Preservatives they used to hang about their Childrens Necks, to secure them from the Evils that might befall them, especially from Enchantments and Witchcrafts: The speculative *Cabala* is divided into *Gametria*, *Notarica*, and *The-mara*; *Gametria* is an Explication that is made by Transposing the Letters of a Word; As for Example, in *Exodus*, (*Præcedet te Malachi*, i.e. *Angelus meus*: The *Cabalists* find that this Angel is *Michael*, because the Letters of *Malachi* being transposed, they make *Michael*: *Notarica* makes an entire Word of every Letter, or Explains one Word by another of the

the same Number of Letters. Its writ in the 3d Psalm, *multi insurgunt in me*, the Hebrew Word that signifies it, is composed of R. B. I. M. whence the Cabalists Conjecture that the People meant by this are the Romans, the Babylonians, the Ionians or Greek, and the Medes. Thus they say, that *Macom* is the same with *Jehovah*, because the Letters of these two Words, writ in Hebrew, make both the same Number of 186. *Themura* or *Zigraph*, consists in the changing of Letters, which are made equivalent in certain Combinations, whereof take an Example in the Latin Tongue, having made a Combination of the Letters thus, A B C D E F, &c. They pretend that the two Letters of each Combination can be put one for another, so that what is written, D B C E may be read *Fade*, that is, *Call*. All the Three Parts of this *Cabala* are good for nothing else but to amuse shallow Wits. For to make use of the same Examples, may not we read instead of *Michael*, *Chamiel*, *Kimael*, &c. that is, Angel of Fire, Angel of Wounds, &c. And by the four Letters R. B. I. M. cannot we understand the *Rabbies*, the *Bactrians*, the *Italians* and *Moabites*; and this Division of the *Cabala*, is but a Superstition invented by the modern *Rabbies*: For the ablest divide the *Cabala* into two Parts, the one *Mercava*, which is the Science of the Chariot, and the other *Beresith*, that is, Intellectual World; the other is the visible one, as Father *Kircher* explains it in the second Tome of his *Oedipus Aegyptiacus*.

CABIRI, or *Cabires*, the Great Gods of *Samothrace*, an Island in the *Aegean Sea*, according to He-

rodotus; the Fragment of *Sanconiathon* quoted by *Eusebius*, derives the Name from the Hebrew Word *Cabir*, which signifies Great and Powerful, they were in such Veneration, that it was a Crime to mention their Names among the People. It was believed that such as were initiated in their Mysteries, were under their Protection, and might obtain any thing they desired; the Ancients do not agree about the Numbers of these false Deities; *Mnaseas* allows three of them, *Axieros*, which according to *Bochartus*, is the same with *Achastieritz*, i. e. *The Earth is my Possession*, which could be no other than *Ceres Aniorcersa* and *Axiocersus*, which is, *My Possession is Death and Destruction*, and means undoubtedly *Pluto* and *Proserpina*: *Dionysiodorus* adds a fourth, whom he Names *Casmitus*, that is, *Mercury*; others hold there were but two *Cabires*, whereof *Jupiter* was the Elder, and *Dionysius* the Younger: *Atheneon* says, that *Jason* and *Dardanus*, who were named *Cabires*, were descended of *Jupiter* and *Electra*: Some are of Opinion that they were the God's Ministers, others that they were Devils: They had a Temple likewise in *Aegypt*, which none entred into but the Priests of those Gods, and they had another in the Territory of *Thebes*: The *Phœnicians* also had their Deities called *Cabires*, according to *Sanconiathon*, which were worshipped chiefly at *Berytus*.

CALARIANS, CADARIAH, A Sect among the *Mahometans*, which attribute the Actions of Men to Men themselves, and not to the Divine Decree, that determines their Will; the first Author of this Sect was *Maabed Ben Khalid*.

ac Giohni, whom *Hegianus* put to death at *Bassora*. *Ben Aun*, one of the chief Doctors of the *Mahometans* will not allow the *Cadarians* to be saved, and said they were the *Magi* or *Manicheans* of *Mussulmanism*, because they held there were two Principles, viz. God and Man. *Schaabi* said that Men might not be *Cadarians* and *Motazalans*, which was the same thing; all Good Actions ought to be referred to God, and Evil ones to Men.

CADIZADELIREs, or *Kadezadeli*, A Sect of *Mahometans*, that much resemble the *Stoicks*, and took its rise in the Reign of Sultan *Morat*; its chief promoter being *Burgeli Effendi*; they shun Feasts and Diversion, and affect an extraordinary Gravity in all their Actions; they speak continually of God, both in private and publick, and some of this Sect make a mixture of *Christianity* and *Mahometanism*, especially those who live on the Borders of *Hungary* and *Bosnia*; the Founder having invented many new Ceremonies in praying for departed Souls at the Burying of the Dead, his Followers cause the *Imaum*, to cry aloud in the Ears of the Corps, to remember that God is one, and his Prophet one: They read the Gospel in the *Sclavonian* Tongue, and the *Alcoran* in *Arabick*; they drink Wine in the Month of *Ramazán*, or the *Mahometans* Lent, but put neither Cinnamon nor other Drugs in it, and then they look upon it to be allowable; they love to protect Christians; they believe that *Mahomet* is the *Holy Ghost*, and that the descent of the Fiery Tongues at *Whitsontide*, was the Sign of the coming of that False Prophet: They practise Circumcision as the Jews

do, and make use of the Example of Christ to authorize it.

CADRITES, See *Kadri*.

CÆSA and PORRECTA, Among the Heathen Romans they were properly the Entrails, taken out of a Sacrifice, when it was opened, which the Sacrificer attentively considered, before they cast them into the Fire, to observe whether there were any Ephemish which might interrupt the Sacrifice, or cause it to be renewed.

CAINITES, or *Canians*, Christian Hereticks, a sect of the *Gnosticks* of the second Century, they were called according to *Cain's* Name, who they say, was formed by a Celestial and Almighty Power, and that *Abel* was made but by a weak one: They held that the Way to be saved, was to make Tryal of all manner of things, and to satisfy their Lust with all wicked Actions: They fancied a great Number of Angels to which they gave barbarous Names, attributing to each of them a particular Sin; so that when they were about any wicked Action, they invoked the Angel whom they fancied to preside over it. They composed a Book called, *St. Paul's Ascension to Heaven*; which they filled with Blasphemies and Execrable Impieties, as if they were the secret Words which that Apostle heard in his Ecstasy; they had a particular Veneration for *Cain*, *Corah*, *Dathan* and *Abiram*, the *Sodomites*, and especially for *Judas*, because his Treachery occasioned the Death of Christ: And they made use of a Gospel that bore that false Disciple's Name.

CALARE, This among the Pagan Romans, signified to scall together, or Assemble the People, from whence indeed came the Word

Word *Calends*, which is as much as to say, the first day of each Month, because he who presided at their Religious Sacrifices, assembled the People in the Capitol, after he had observed the New Moon, to give them notice of the Festivals and Games of that Month.

CALATA COMITIA, It was an Assembly of the People among the Heathen Romans, who were called together for the Election and Consecration of their Priests; as also for Wills, which were made in the most ancient Times of the Common Wealth, in the presence of the People.

CALAZOPHISLACES, or *Calazophylaces*, certain Priests among the Heathen Greeks; whose Care was to divert Hail and Tempests, by sacrificing a Lamb or a Chicken; but if they could not get such little Animals, or if they foresaw any Evil coming upon them, then they cut their own Fingers with a Penknife, or pricked them with a Bodkin, to appease the Anger of their False Gods with their own Blood.

CALENDERS, or *Kalenderi*, A sort of *Mahometan* Fryars so denominated from *Santon Kalenderi* their Founder: This Man was of the number of the *Abdals*, he continually played the Name of God on his Flute, went bare Headed, without a Shirt, with the Skin of a Wild Beast upon his Shoulders, a kind of Apron before, whereof the Strings were adorned with precious Stones, intermixed with false Diamonds; but his Disciples now mind nothing but their Pleasures, and are rather a Sect of *Epicureans*, than a Society of Religious People, they honour a Tavern as much as they do a *Mosque*, and

think to worship God as much by the liberal use of his Creatures, as others do by their greatest Austerities and Devotions: It being a common Saying amongst them; *This Day is ours; to Morrow is his who shall live to enjoy it*: In *Persia* and *Arabia* they are called *Abdalls* or *Abdallas*, that is a People consecrated to the Honour and Service of God; their Apparel is but a single Coat made up of several Pieces, and quilted like a Rug, which they keep close to their Body, with a brais Serpent that the Doctors confer upon them at their Promotion, as a badge of their Learning: These Preach in Market-places the Miracles of their Saints, and Curse *Abu-Beker*, *Omar Osman*, and *Harife*, who are all much honoured by the *Turks*, together with the Saints of the *Tartars* called *Usbeques*, of whom they tell very ridiculous and absurd Stories, to have them despised: They eat what their Auditors give them, and receive Money if they give them any; they are generally very Vicious People, given to Theft and Lewdness, for which Reason they are not admitted into any Houses to lodge, but are sent into Chappels built designedly for them near the *Mosques*: Nay the *Turks* say that in the *Hegira*, 615. the Christians became Masters of *Jerusalem*, notwithstanding what has been noted before concerning the Institutor of this Order, because he having the chief Direction in the Government of that City, was found Drunk when it was assaulted.

CALIPH an *Arabick* word signifying properly Vicar or Successor, and that to *Mahomet* the false Prophet; it also implies a Sovereign Dignity among the *Mahometans*, or an Absolute Power and independent

dent Authority in matters of Religion and Civil Government: The Original of the Name came from *Abubeker*, who after the death of *Mahomet*, being chosen to succeed him by the *Mussulmans*, he would assume no other Title than *Caliph Resoul Allah*, that is, the Vicar of the Prophet or the Messenger of God; and so that title continued. *Abubeker* was succeeded by *Omar*, who required that the Caliphate should be put into the hands of six Persons that were to succeed one another according to the order of the Election; and they were *Ali*, *Othman*, *Said*, *Abdalrahman*, *Malebah* and *Zobair*, and they were intituled presumptive Heirs; but *Abdalrahman* renouncing and *Omar* declaring *Othman* his Successor, to the prejudice of *Ali*, this wrought great Divisions between the *Sunnite* or Orthodox *Mussulmens*, and the *Schithites* or Followers of *Ali*. The *Caliphs* made *Medina* in *Arabia* the place of their Residence, till *Ali* transferr'd the See to *Coufali*: *Moavius* the first *Caliph* of the *Ommadian* Race, translated it to *Damascus* in *Syria*; but *Abbas* the first *Caliph* of the *Abbassidan* Race, removed it to *Coufab* upon the *Tigris*, afterwards to *Anbar* upon the borders of *Chaldaea*, and from thence to a City built near the *Euphrates* in the same Country, which he called *Haschemia* from *Haschem Mahomet's* Uncle, who was also his own Ancestor; his Brother and Successor *Almanzor*, removed it to *Bagdet*, which he built, which place became afterwards the usual Residence of the *Caliphs* of the *Abbassidan* Race, that lasted till the Year 655 of the *Hegira*, when the *Tartars* took *Bagdet*, and put *Monstanzem* to death. he was acknowledged for the only

Caliph and Vicar of *Mahomet*, and the Sovereign Pontiff of all the *Mussulmans*; for *Adhed* the 11th. and last of the *Fathamite Caliphs* died in the Year 567 of the *Hegira* in the Reign of *Saladine*: Indeed there were some *Mahometan* Princes in *Affrica* and *Spain*, who took upon them the title of *Caliphs*, but that was only in reference to their own Subjects, and not all other *Mahometans*, who at that time owned no other but *Monstanzem* for true *Caliph*. Now *Monstanzem Billah* the Son of *Dhaher*, the last *Caliph* but one after the taking of *Bagdet*, having made his Escape from the *Turks*, and returning into *Egypt* was there acknowledged *Caliph*, tho' without any Temporal Authority; for his Successors to the number of eighteen were look'd upon only as *Imaums* or chief of the *Mahometan* Religion. Nay the *Mamulukes* of *Egypt*, who made these *Caliphs* what they were, made and unmade them at their pleasure; but for all the Authority they exercised over them, yet at the same time they made use of them, to Confirm and Authorise their Government to the People; and they also used them to deprive such as they were to depose of the Regal Authority; nay *Bajazet*, Emperour of the *Turks* sent presents to *Motavakkel* the *Caliph* in 797 of the *Hegira*, praying him by his Letters Patent to confirm the Imperial Dignity to him. One of the Chief Offices of the *Caliphs* as an *Imaum*, and Sovereign of the *Mahometan* Religion, was to begin and sing out the Publick Prayers every day in the week, in their chief Mosque, and to pronounce the *Kothbah*, which was a kind of Sermon: They were also oblig'd to conduct the Pilgrims to *Mec-*

ca, gave titles of Honour to Princes as Defender, Mainrainer or Pillar of Religion; (wherein they have been imitated by the Papacy) rode upon Mules, with many other matters belonging to them.

CALISTINS or **CALIXTINS**; a Name given to the People at Prague in Bohemia, who opposed the *Thaborites* in the fifteenth Century: They followed the Doctrine of the Church Rome in all things but in depriving the Laity of the Chalice or Cup at the Sacrament. There are some of this Sect in Poland.

CALOYERS; Certain Greek Monks of St. Basil's Order, or of St. Elias, or St. Marcellus, who almost all follow the same Rule, and wear the same Habit throughout all Greece, without the least change or leaving off any of their Ancient Constitutions: They lead a very retired, poor and austere Life, and never eat Meat. Besides this continued Abstinence, they observe four *Lents* in the Year, and several other Fasts which all the Greek Church keep very strictly, and in these fasting times, they neither eat Flesh, Butter nor Eggs: And the *Armenians* abstain, besides all this, from Oyl; yet very handsomly treat those that visit them in *Lent*: And they who scruple to eat Fish, do eat Oysters and all shell Fish, and make several kind of Dishes of Eggs and the Milt of Fishes, that are far beyond the Fish it self; neither will some of them scruple to eat between Meals, if so be what they eat be neither Fish, Flesh, Eggs nor Butter. The *Armenians* do neither use Butter nor Oyl in their Sauces, but Almonds and peeled Nutts pounded in a Mortar, and warmed in a Chaffing-dish, which

does far exceed our Butter in Europe; but there are others so austere, that they content themselves with a Morsel of Bread, and some Herbs, and drink only Water.

CALUMNY, an Heathen Goddess to which the *Athenians* Consecrated Altars: She was call'd by the Greek *Διαβολή*, whence came the name of Devil, which we give to him, who is the Father of all Calumny; according to *Apelles* his Picture of her, she is represented with all her attendance after this manner; *Credulity* appears with large Ears like *Midas*, stretching out her hands to *Calumny*, which was coming towards her; on both side *Credulity* was *Suspicion* and *Ignorance*, this last in the form of a blind Woman, and the other appearing like a frowning unconstant Fellow, but yet represented so, that his Countenance exprest a kind of Satisfaction for the discovery of some hidden thing. In the middle of this Picture was *Calumny* with her Face towards *Credulity*, she appear'd very fair and well drest, with a fierce look, and huffing and angry Eyes, she carried a lighted Torch in her left Hand, and a Child in the Right, who by his Tears seemed to implore assistance from Heaven; she had before her *Envy* represented by a lean and dry Man devoured by his Cares and Troubles; and two Men behind her that seemed to wait on her, which two Attendants were *Imposture* and *Flattery*; within sight was *Truth*, who seemed to walk towards the place where *Calumny* stood, and behind *Truth* was *Repentance* in a very mournful habit. Its easie to comprehend what every part of this work meant, *Calumny* tears and destroys *Innocents*, and is received by a foolish or malicious

licious *Credulity*, which proceeds from Ignorance or Superstition: The Calumniator prepares and orders every thing by the help of Imposture; and uses Flattery to insinuate himself into the Hearts of the Hearers, but truth appears soon or late, which discovers the Malice of the Lie, and there is nothing left to Calumny for our Labour, but a sharp and bitter Repentance: The Antients have not informed us what sort of Reverence or Adoration was paid to this false Deity; however, they have left upon Record the occasion of this Picture, made by the famous *Apelles*, for being accused by an envious Painter, of a Conspiracy against King *Ptolomy*, of causing the revolt of *Tyre*, and the raking of *Pelusium*; but being cleared of all, he went to work, and having finished the forementioned excellent Piece, made a present of it to that Prince.

CAMALDOLI, A Religious Order of Christians found by *St. Romuald*, about the end of the Tenth Century: This Man gave his *Monks* the Rule of *St. Bennet's* Order, with some particular Constitutions, and white Habit, after a Vision he had of several Persons cloathed so, who were going up on a Ladder to Heaven. He was of a noble Family of *Ravenna*, and having found near the *Appennine* Hills near *Arrezzo*, a frightful solitary place, called *Campo Maldoli*, he began to build a Monastery there, about the Year 1009, and this Monastery gave its name to all the Order. The Congregation of Hermits of *St. Romuald*, or of *Moun Couronne*, is a Branch of that of *Camaldoli*, to which it joyned in 1532. *Paul Justinian* of *Venice*, began its Establishment in

1520, and founded the chief Monastery in the *Appennine*, in a place called the Mount of the *Crown*, 10 Miles from *Perugia*, and dedicated to our *Saviour* in 1555.

CAMERONIANS, A Party of *Presbyterians* in *Scotland*, so called from *Archibald Cameron*, a Field Preacher, who was the first that separated from Communion with the other *Presbyterians* that were not of his Opinion, concerning the Ministers that had accepted of an Indulgence from King *Charles* the II^d, which he alledged to be a Countenancing of the Supremacy in Ecclesiastical Affairs; and they said it was only a making use of the Liberty to exercise the Pastoral Function, from which they had been unduly restrained: The Debate and Heats increased on both sides, which the other *Presbyterians* would have them lay aside, till the Controversy could be determined by a general Assembly: But the *Cameronians*, through a Transport of Zeal, separated from them, and some who associated with them ran into great Excess of Frenzy; declaring that King *Charles* the II^d, had forfeited his Right to the Crown and Society of the Church, by his breaking the solemn League and Covenant, which were the Terms on which he received the former; and his vicious Life, which, *de jure*, they said excluded him from the latter: They pretended both to Dethrone and Excommunicate him, made an Insurrection, but were soon suppress'd; since the Accession of the late King *William* to the Crown, they readily complied with, and zealously served the Government, and for their former Difference in Church Matters, they were also laid aside, the Preachers of their

Party having submitted to the general Assembly of the Church of Scotland, in 1690, of which they still continue Members.

CAMIUS, Heathen Idols adored by the *Japonians*, and especially the *Bonzi*, or Ministers of the Sect of *Xenxus*: These Idols represent the principal Lords of *Japan*, to whom the *Bonzi* erect magnificent Temples, as to Gods, and invoke them to recover their Health, and to gain Victories over their Enemies.

CAMPATOIS, An Heretical Sect of Christians, which St. *Jerom* writing against the *Luciferians*, calls *Montois*: They rose in the Church in the fourth Century and followed the Doctrine of the *Donatists* and *Circumcellians*.

CANON, In *Greek* properly signifies a Rule, but is applied to many things in Religion, as the Canon of Scripture, the Canon of the Mass, the Canonical Books, *i.e.* the Books contained in the Canon of the Bible, the Canons of the Councils, &c. In the Church of *Rome* the Canon of the Mass is what the Priest reads low to himself, and begins with these Words, *Te igitur*; because they are the Rule or Form for Consecration. In the Councils, the Decisions that serve as a Rule are called Canons, yet the Canonical Books of Scripture can only be relied on, as a Sacred and Divine Rule: The *Jews* have their Canons different from the Christians, for they only acknowledge for Canonical and Divine, the Books of the Old Testament, which are writ in *Hebrew*; whereas the Christians receive both the New and Old Testament, and the Church of *Rome* many Books writ in *Greek*, and later than the Canon of the *Jews*:

The Canons of the Apostles are a Collection of Ecclesiastical Laws, which are attributed to St. *Clement* Bishop of *Rome* and Disciple of St. *Peter*; but 'tis more probable that it is the Work of some Bishops in the East; who about the middle of the third Century, collected into one Body the things that were most in use, in the Churches of their Country, part of which might be handed down by Tradition, from the times of the Apostles (tho' perhaps not so pure as they should be) and part of them introduced by provincial Synods: There is a pretty deal of Difficulty, as well about the Number as Authority of these Canons: The *Greeks* generally count 85, but the *Latins* receive but 50, nor do they observe all these neither. The *Greeks* count the first fifty much after the same manner as the Church of *Rome* does; but they add others; in most of which, there are things little Conformable to the Disciple and Belief of the *Romanists*, and for this that Church rejects the Thirty five Canons. For in respect to these, they are ranged among the Apocryphal Writings by Pope *Gelasius*, in a Council held at *Rome* in 494. This Judgment was past upon them before, by Pope *Damasus*, who seems to be the first Determiner of what Books ought either to be received or rejected. According to this precedent, *Isidore* Censures the Apostle's Canons likewise, as *Gracian* cites him in his 16 Distinction: On the contrary, Pope *Leo* XIth excepts the first 50 Canons from the Apocryphal Number: Before his time *Dionysius Exiguus* placed these fifty at the head of his Code of Ecclesiastical Canons. *Antoninus Augustus* Archbishop of *Tar-*

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Tarragon, is of opinion the first fifty Canons of the Apostles ought to be received, and that the remaining 35 have no authority in the Western Churches, as being either made or interpolated by Hereticks.

CAPITULARIES, Ordinances of the Kings of *France* wherein are many Heads or Articles which regard the Government of the Church, and were done by the Advice of an Assembly of Bishops: The Original of the Word comes from *Capitula*, which were Articles that the Prelates made and published to serve as Instructions to the Clergy of their Diocesses; so that at last this Name of *Capitularies* was given to all the Articles which related to Ecclesiastical Affairs: Those of *Charlemain* and *Lewis the Meek*, were collected in four Books by the Abbot *Angesifus*; those of King *Lothaire*, *Charles* and *Lewis* Sons of *Lewis the Meek*, were Collected by *Bennet* the Levite or Deacon into three Books, to which there has been since four or five Additions; and Father *Simon* in our times has publish'd those of *Charles the Bald* in particular: Also Mr. *Balure* has lately Published a Treaty on this Subject, which is much perfecter than any we had before.

CAPROTINA *Caprotinae Nonæ*, the Name which the Ancient Pagan Romans gave their false Goddess *Juno*, and to the Nones of *July*, upon which they celebrated a Solemn Festival every Year for their deliverance on that day from the *Latins*; who by a Stratagem of the Women Slaves of the Romans, that enticed them to Drink and Revel, and especially of *Philotis* the chief Contriver of the design, and she that gave the signal from a wild Fir-tree (in their Language

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Caprificus) to fall on, were all put to the Sword.

CAPUCHINS; A sort of *Franciscan* Friars in the Church of *Rome*, so named from their great *Capuckon* which is an odd sort of a Cap or Hood sowed to their Habit, and hung generally down their Backs: Its said that the first Convent of this Order was built at *Camerino* by the Dutchesse *Catharine Cibo*. These Friars in the Reign of *Charles the IX.* were admitted into *France*, and had first of all a Convent built them at *Meudon* by the Cardinal of *Lorain*. *Henry III.* built them another in the suburbs of *St. Honorus*: They have nine or ten Provinces in that Kingdom, and a great number of Monasteries.

CARAITES, A Sect of the *Jews* now contrary to the Rabbinites, that's such as allow of the *Talmud* of the Rabbins: The *Caraites* were so called about the Eighth Century, a little after the Publishing of the *Talmud*, because they kept to the Book of the Bible, and would never receive the Traditions which the Rabbins had invented. *Carai* implies a Man thoroughly versed in the study of the Holy Scriptures, for which Reason those who ground their Belief upon the Bible are called *Caraites*, and some have called them pure and refined *Jews*, because they make Profession of preserving the Purity of their Religion: *Aaron* the Son of *Joseph*, the Author of the *Caraité* Commentary, lived about the end of the Thirteenth Century, whose Manuscript is kept in the Library of the Fathers of the Oratory at *Paris*, whither it was brought from *Constantinople*. He there approves of all the Books of the Bible that are in the *Jewish Canon*, and reckons them twenty four, as

the other *Jews* do, but at the same time, he recites Human Traditions; that is, the Fables of the *Talmud*, and the Imaginations of the *Rabbins*, not receiving any but such as are Constant and Conformable to the Scripture: There are some of the *Caraites* at *Constantinople*, and others at *Cairo* and in other Parts of the East: Some of them there are also in *Muscovy*, who have their peculiar *Synagogues*, and call themselves the only true Observers of *Moses* Law, as perhaps they really are. Its pity that those who send for Books to the East, did not get some of those of the *Rabbi Caraites*, most of which are very learned; since there are but few of them in *Europe*.

CARAVAN, CAIRAVAN, CAIROAN; properly signifies a Body of Travellers or Merchants, that unite together in order to Travel for their greater Safety into foreign Countries, but this Name is chiefly given to the *Mahometan* Pilgrims of *Mecca*, for there are five Caravans of *Mahometans*, who go once a Year to visit the Tomb of their False Prophet at *Medina*, and the *Mosque* of *Mecca*, the place of his Nativity; and they are that of *Grand Cairo*, which consists of *Aegyptians*, and of all them that come from *Constantinople*, and the neighbouring Parts; that of the *Magrebins*, which comprehends them of *Barbary*, *Fez*, and *Marocco*; one from *Damascus* for the Pilgrims of *Syria*; one of *Persia*, and that of the *Indies*, or Great *Mogul's* Country: The *Emyr Adge* is the chief; the Caravan of *Marocco* takes its Way by *Tafilet*, *Tegorarin*, *Tripoli*, *Quibriche*, and *Alexandria*, from whence it passes to *Cairo*, and thence to *Suez*, which is a very long Journey and takes up a whole year. The Grand

Signior sends every Year great Presents to *Mecca*, which consist of Silver and Ornaments, and these last are made at *Cairo* and *Damascus*, being some great Pieces of *Crimson Velvet* Embroidered, with great *Arabick* Letters wrought in Gold, a great Tent of *Crimson Satin*, embroidered with some *Arabick* Figures that end with a Point like a Steeple, that has a great Golden Ball at top, and four lesser ones round about; there is also another square Canopy, but of less value: The Presents are carryed upon a Camel very richly harness'd, with another after him to carry the Burden, if the first should chance to tire. The Caravan of *Cairo* Parts commonly 57 Days after the beginning of *Ramazan*; i. e. about a Month after 'tis ended; that of *Barbary* begins to set out a Day after, having a distinct Commander; the Caravans of *Asia* that come from the Eastern Islands, and those from the *Indies* on this side *Ganges*, come by Sea to *Mocho* in *Arabia Felix*, and thence to *Mecca* upon their Camels; The *Persians* along the Sea-Coast come down either to *Ormuz* or *Bauder*, and then crossing the Gulph into *Arabia*, arrive at their Prophets Town. But they of the uppermost *Persia*, towards the *Caspian* Sea, and all the *Mahometan*, *Tartars*, go to *Tauris* and thence to *Aleppo*, whence the great Caravan Marches, which crosses the Desert; some take the Way of *Bagdet*, but very seldom, because the *Basha* there exacts a Tribute, especially of the *Persians*, whom the *Turks* look upon to be Hereticks; however, they are much inclined to take that way for diversion sake, to see the Tomb of their Prophet *Ali*, which is but eight Days Journey

ney from thence in a Defart: The Princes of *Arabia*, have but a short Journey either to *Mecca*, or to *Mahomet's Tomb*. The *Mahometans* of *Europe* go to *Aleppo* to joyn the *Caravan* from the higher Parts of *Persia*, and those of *Africa* go by *Grand Cairo*, whence they take their way to *Suez*, and meet the *Caravan* of *Aleppo* in the Defart, eighteen Leagues from *Medina*, where there is Water which runs to that Town, and as the *Mahometans* believe, sprung out of the Earth by pure Miracles, in favour of their Prophet, who hapned to be thirsty in this Place, and drinking of this Water, made it sweet, that was before bitter. Besides, those that go for Devotion-sake to *Mecca*, there are many who make a Journey thither to avoid the Punishment due to them for some Crime committed; for this Journey absolves them from all Things, for what even Wickedness a Man has committed, if he can but escape, and go on this Pilgrimage, he is never after sought for, but is looked upon to be an Honest Man: During the Journey they sing some Verses of the *Alcoran*, and bestow some Alms according to their Abilities; they strip themselves quite Naked two Days before they come to *Mecca*, and take only a Napkin about their Necks, and another round their Loyns: Such as are out of Order or Sick keep on their Cloaths, but instead of this Ceremony they distribute some Alms; when they arrive at *Mecca*, they spend three days there in praying and visiting those Places they call Holy: They afterwards go to *Minnet*, where they arrive on the Eve of the little *Bairam*, they sacrifice some Sheep, and then take their Cloaths off as

eight Days before: This done, they go to Mount *Arafat*, where they pray for three Days; and when all these Ceremonies are ended, *Sultan Scherif*, or the Prince of *Mecca*, who accompanied them to this Mountain, gives them the Benediction or Blessing: Then the Pilgrims go to *Medina*, where *Mahomet's Sepulchre* is, and the *Kiab* or great *Mosque*.

CARDINAL, is a Name at this time that signifies an Eminent dignity in the Church of *Rome*, whose Origin take thus. There were two sorts of Churches in Towns, one being like our Parish Churches of these times, and were called *Titles*; the other were Hospitalls for the Poor and bare the Name of *Diaconia*: The other Chappels in Towns were called *Oratories*, where Mass was Celebrated without Administring the Sacraments. The Chaplains of these Oratories were called *Locall Priests*, this is, Priests which belonged to some particular place, and to make a greater distinction between these Churches, the Parish Churches were called *Cardinals* or *Cardinal Titles*, and the Priests that officiated in them and administred the Sacraments, were called *Cardinals*: they were chiefly in use at *Rome*, where the *Cardinals* attended the Pope, whilst he celebrated Mass and in processions; and therefore *Leo IV.* calls them *Presbyteros seu Cardinales*: In the Council held at *Rome* in 853. The Deacons who looked after the *Diaconia*, had also given them the Title of *Cardinals*, either because they were the principal Deacons, or because they assisted with the *Cardinals*, that is the Priests at the Pope's Mass: The Function of the *Roman Cardinals* was to go to the Pope's Council,

and to the Synods, and to give their Opinions in Ecclesiastical Matters. It was one of them, that they generally chose to be Pope, for it was rare for any Bishop to be chosen in those days; it being recorded in the Ecclesiastical History that Pope Stephen VII. tho' chosen in 896, caused his Predecessor *Formosus* to be dug up again, and annull'd all his Ordinances, alledging that he was made Pope against the Disposition of the Holy Decrees, in the time that he was Bishop of *Ostia*: Finally the Cardinals wholly engrossed to themselves the Power of choosing a Pope, since the Council under *Nicholas II.* Celebrated at *Rome*; so that in process of time, the name of Cardinal, which was Common to all titular Priests or Curates, was appropriated to them of *Rome*, and afterwards to seven Bishops of the Neighbourhood of *Rome*. All these Cardinals were divided into five Patriarchal Churches, as *St. John de Lateran*, *St. Mary Major*, *St. Peter of the Vatican*, *St. Paul* and *St. Laurence*; the Church of *St. John de Lateran* had fifteen Cardinal Bishops, who were known by the name of *Collaterales*. or *Hebdomadarii*, because they were the Popes immediate Assistants, and celebrated Divine Service for him each his Week; these were the Bishops of *Ostia*, *Porro*, *Sylva Candida* or *St. Rufine*, *Albano*, *Sabina*, *Frascati* and *Palestrina*. *St. Mary Majors* Church had likewise seven Cardinal Priests, as that of *St. Philip* and *St. James*, of *St. Cyprian*, *St. Eusebius*, *St. Prudentia*, *St. Vitalis*, of the Saints *Peter* and *Marcellin*, and of *St. Clement*. The Patriarchal Church of *St. Peter* had the Priest Cardinals of *St. Mary of the Tiber*, of *St. Chrysogonus*, *St. Ce-*

cile, *St. Anastasia*, and *St. Lawrence* in *Damascus*, of *St. Mark*, and of the Saints *Martin* and *Sylvester*: The Church of *St. Paul* had the Cardinal of *St. Sabinus*, *St. Priscus*, *St. Balbina*, and the Saints *Nerea* and *Achilea*; Of *Sixtus*, *St. Marcellus*, and *St. Susanna*: The Patriarchal Church of *St. Laurence* without the City Walls, had also its seven Cardinals, being those of *St. Praxedes*, *St. Peter ad vincula*, *St. Laurence in Lucina*, and of the Saints *John* and *Paul*, of the four crowned Saints, of *St. Stephen*, in *Mount Calie* and of *St. Quirinus*. The Pope in succeeding times confer'd the Title of Cardinal on other Bishops, besides these now mentioned, and 'tis said, the first that had this Honour bestowed upon him, was *Conrad* Archbishop of *Mentz*, who received it from Pope *Alexander III.* and Conferred the same Honour also on *Gardin* of *Sala*, Archbishop of *Milan* in 1165. And since that some Bishops were Created Cardinal Priests of *Rome*, with one of the Titles thereof. Lastly, *Clement V.* and his Successors gave the Title of Cardinal Priest to many other Bishops, which Custom has been since followed. As for the Deacon Cardinals, we are here to observe; that at first there were but seven of them in the Church of *Rome*, and in the other Churches; but this Number was augmented at *Rome* to fourteen, and at last they created eighteen who were called Cardinal Deacons or Principal, to distinguish them from others who had not the Care of Deaconries: After this there were counted twenty four Deaconries in the City of *Rome*, and now there are fourteen affected to the Deacon Cardinals: The Priest Cardinals are to the Number of Fifty, which

which with the six Cardinal Bishops of *Ostia, Porro, Sabina, Palestrina, Frascati, and Albano*, who have no other Titles, but those of their Bishopricks, make generally the Number of Seventy. *Innocent V.* gave to the Cardinals the Red Cap in the Council of *Lyons*, held in 1243. *Paul the 2d.* the *Scarlet Habit*, in 1464. *Gregory XIV.* bestowed the *Red-Cap* upon the Regular Cardinals, who before wore only a Hat. *Urban VIII.* gave them the Title of *Eminence*, for before they had but that of most Illustrious: When the Pope is disposed to create any Cardinal, he writes the Names of those he designs for this Dignity, and gets them Read in the Consistory, after he has told the Cardinals, *Fratres habetis*, that is, *You have for Brothers, &c.* The Cardinal Patron sends for them that are at *Rome*, and introduces them to the Pope to receive their *Red Caps* from him, till which time they are *incognito* and cannot come, to the meeting; And as for those of his Nomination that are absent, he dispatches one of his Chamber-Men of Honour to carry them their *Caps*, but they are obliged to receive the *Hat* at his own Hands: When they come to *Rome*, they are received in *Cavalcade*; the Cardinals Dress is a *Sattane*, a *Rochet*, a *Mantelet*, or short Purple Mantle, over their *Rochet*, the *Mozette*, and a Papal Cape over the *Rochet* in publick, and solemn Actions: The Colour of their Garments differs according to the times; being either red or of the Colour of dried Roses, or Violets: The Regular Cardinals were no Silk, nor any other Colour but that of their Order; but the *Red Hat* and *Cap* are common to them all.

Having said thus much of Cardinals, we cannot but here add the curious remarks of *Maimbourg's* upon this Subject, and he says that when the Cathedral Church was vacant, the Popes sent one of their Neighbour Bishops to govern it, until another Bishop was chosen who took Possession of it, as of his Proper Church, and received its Title, which the administering Bishop, or he that took care of it during the Vacancy, had not. This was what they called a Cardinal Bishop in those times, from the Word *Cardo*, which signifies a Hinge, shewing thereby that the Titulary Bishop was tyed to his Church, to exercise continually of his own Proper Authority, all the Functions of his Bishoprick, the same may be said of the Priests and Deacons, to whom their Bishops had given some Benefice or Charge that tyed them to any Church in their Dioceses; and also the Archdeacons and other Dignities were called Cardinals of the Churches governed by them: The other Priests and Deacons that had no such tye, were not called Cardinals; and it was for this Reason that those whom the Popes sent into the Provinces, and the *Nuncio's* he sent to *Constantinople* were indeed Deacons of the *Roman Church*, but not Cardinals. By the same Reason all the Curates tyed by their Titles to the Parishes, wherein they administered the Sacraments, were Cardinal Priests. He was also called a Cardinal-Priest, who officiated in chief in any great Man's Chappel or Oratory; so that there were Deacon, Priest, and Bishop, Cardinals in all the Dioceses of the World. And as for the Church of *Rome*, there was no other Cardinal Bishop in Pope

Gregory's time but he himself, who in Quality of proper Bishop of the particular Church of *Rome*, was eyed there as to his Title; the Priest Cardinals were all the Curates of *Rome*, and all the other Priests that Officiated at any other Chappel or Oratory: The Deacons, and Cardinal Archdeacons, were such as had a Title, where to exercise their Function: This was what the Cardinals of the Church of *Rome* were in Gregory the Great's time, and near Four Hundred Years after him. But in the Eleventh Century, the Popes assuming Crowns to themselves, and mightily increased in Grandeur, begun also to settle a Court, and a regular Council of Cardinals, Bishops, Priests and Deacons, different from those that bear this Title before. The Cardinal Bishops were those that were Suffragans of the Pope as Metropolitan: The Priest and Cardinal Deacons were chosen by the Pope, at Pleasure in all the Provinces of Christendom, whether Bishops, Priests, Abbots, Princes, Commanders, Monks, or other Religious, to whom he gave the Titles of Churches, without obliging them to officiate in them; and so as the Name of Pope, which in the Fifth or Sixth Centuries was common to all Bishops, was afterwards appropriated to the *Roman* Pontiff, so in like manner the Name of Cardinal, which had been common to all Titulary Bishops, Priests and Deacons, in regard to the Churches they were linked to, does now only belong to the Cardinals of the Church of *Rome*, who are in the highest Rank in that Church: However, it's to be observed, that even since the establishing of this College of Cardinals, the Bishops maintaining

their Preheminence, have had the first Place in Assemblies, and Public Meetings in the Pope's own Presence, which may be seen in the Act of the Dedication of the Church of *Marmouher* by *Urban II.* in 1090, when he went to *France* to keep the Council of *Clermont* in 764. The Council of *Rome* under Pope *Stephen IV.* decreed that none should be chosen Pope, but a Priest, or Deacon Cardinal: In 1130, the Cardinals began to be Masters of the Pope's Election under *Innocent II.* and made themselves the sole choosers to the Exclusion of the rest of the Clergy of *Rome* under *Alexander III.* in 1160. so that raising themselves more and more, they at last arrived to that Pitch, that tho' they be but Priests and Deacons, yet the Dignity of Cardinal alone places them above Bishops.

CARIT, or *Kerit*, A Tribe of the *Moguls*, or *Eastern Tartars*, who profess Christianity: *Ung Khan*, or rather *Avenk Khan*, was the Prince of this Tribe, and bore the Surname of *Malek Iuhana*, King *John*; It was from this Prince's Name that we have made that of *Prester John*, who was dispossessed of his Dominions by *Genghizkhan*, in the Year of our Lord 1202. they have since given the Name of *Prester John* to the King of *Æthiopia*, because he is a Christian.

CARITES, or *The three Graces*, which according to Heathenism were three Sisters, the constant Companions of *Venus*, viz. *Aglaia*, *Euphrosyne*, and *Thalia*; the Pagans made Divinities of them. *Pausanias* has writ a large Discourse about them, wherein he says, that *Eteocles* was the first who consecrated three of them in *Bœotia*; that the *Lacedemonians* knew but

but two of them, *Clita* and *Phaenna*, and that the *Athenians* held also two of them in Veneration, *Auxo* and *Hegetmo*.

CARMATA, or *Carmathians*, the Name of a famous Impostor, and his Followers among the *Mahometans*, who according to some Histories, was born at *Hamadan Carmath*, from which he took his Name, tho' other Historians will have this Surname to have been given him, because he was little and ill shaped, which is the Import of the Word *Carmath* in *Arabick*; he was the Author of a Sect that struck the very Foundation of *Mahometanism*, which made so great a Progress in the Dominions of the *Caliphs*, that they were almost all intirely infected therewith in a short time. This Man began to appear in the Year of our Lord, 891, was a Person of a very Auster Life, and said that God Commanded them not to make five Prayers every day, as the *Mussulmen* do, but fifty. And this Practice he established among his Followers, who neglected their Occupations to apply themselves to it. They eat many things that were forbidden by *Mahomet's* Law, and believed that the Angels were the Guides of all their Actions, as they took the Devils to be their Enemies: They turned all the Precepts of the *Mahometan* Law into an Alegory, saying that Prayer was but a Symbol of Obedience, paid to the *Imaum*, or Chief, of their Sect, which they called by the Name of *Maassum*, i. e. *The preserved of God*: And instead of the Tenth, which the *Mahometans* give of their Goods to the Poor, they laid aside the fifth part for the *Imaum*. Fasting they looked upon only as a Symbol of Silence and

Secrecy, which ought to be used towards Strangers, who were not of their Sect; and, Lastly, They believed their Fidelity to their *Imaum* was denoted by that Command which forbids Fornication; insomuch that those who revealed the Mysteries of their Religion, and did not pay blind Obedience to their chief, became Guilty of a Crime called *Zinah*, by the *Mussulmen*, the same being a Word that signifies Adultery or Fornication: Their way of Writing was very Close, and in small Characters: They throve by Arms and otherwise, for a time, but being rooted out of *Arabia* by the *Baradians*, those who afterwards made an Insurrection about *Aleppo* and elsewhere, had no Followers.

CARMELITES, or *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*, a Religious Order of Christians, which began in the twelfth Century in *Syria*, where several Western Christians lived, in different Hermitages, exposed to the violence and Incursions of the *Barbarians*: *Aimeric* the Popes Legate in the East, under *Alexander III.* and Patriarch of *Antioch*, brought them together, and fixed them on *Mount Carmel*, formerly the Retreat and Residence of *Elias* and *Elisba*, whose Successors they stile themselves: They took their Name of *Carmelites* from this Mountain: *Albert*, Patriarch of *Jerusalem*, Native of the Diocese of *Amiens*, and Kinsman of *Peter* the Hermit, gave them Rules in 1205. which was confirmed two Years after, by Pope *Honorius III.* Their Habit was at first White, and their Cloaks laced at the bottom with several Lists: But this manner of Apparel was ordered to be changed by *Honorius IV.* and they took the Habit of the *Minims* under

under their White Cloak. *Inno-*
cent IV. mitigated the Severity of
the Rules that were prescribed
them in 1245. They came to *Eu-*
rope in 1238, and have very much
flourished in the *Romish* Church,
which it has furnished with a great
Number of Bishops, Preachers and
learned Writers.

CARMELITES, or *Discalceated*,
A Congregation of Fryars, esta-
blished in the Sixteenth Century
of Christianity: After the Mitiga-
tion of the Rules of the *Carmelites*
by Pope *Eugenius* IV. The Order
was reformed by St. *Theresa*, a
Nun thereof belonging to the Con-
vent of *Avila* in *Castile*, the place
of her Nativity; she began with
the Women, then afterwards un-
dertook to reform the Men, being
assisted by two Fryars of the
Order, Father *Antony* of *Jesus*,
and Father *John* of *Cross*, and
these New reformed had a Con-
vent near *Avila*: Part of the Pro-
fession of the *Monks*, is to go
barefooted, which makes them call
them *discalceated Carmelites*. Pope
Pius V. approved their Design;
Gregory the XIII. confirmed their
Reformation in 1580, and *Clement*
VIII. separated their Congregation
in *Italy* from that of *Spain* in 1598.
and gave them large Privileges;
they came into *France* in 1605,
and have 44 or 45 Convents in
that Kingdom: These Fryars are
divided into two Congregations,
whereof each has its general and
particular Constitutions: These
two are the Congregation of *Italy*,
which comprehends all the Con-
vents that are in the Territories
of *Spain*, and the other that of
France, which reaches to six Provin-
ces.

CARMENTA, The Mother of
Evander, and one who was a Pro-

phetess, she was deified by the
Romans, who erected a Temple
wherein Sacrifices were offered her.
A Festival was also instituted to
her, which from her Name was
called *Carmentalia*; she was called
Themis in *Arcadia*, because she
foretold things to come, and her
Son *Evander* passing from *Greece*
into *Italy*, imposed upon the Sim-
plicity of the *Aborigines*, who were
still wild and uncivilized, and
made his Mother pass among them
for a Prophetess, and so obliged
them to pay Divine Honours to her.
And tho' others say she was called
Carmenta, a *Carminibus*, because
the ancient *Sybils* gave their Ora-
cles in Verse, yet *Dionysius Halicar-*
nassens will have her to be surna-
med, as if you should say, *Carens*
Mente, because the Divine Spirit
of Prophecy assumed the Place of
the Human Spirit, and that Verses
were called *Carmina* from her, be-
cause she prophesied in Verse.

CARMENTALIA, Feasts insti-
tuted in Honour of *Carmenta*,
which were solemnized twice in
the Month of *January*, viz. the
first time on the Eleventh, (or the
Third of the *Ides*) because then
this Deity perswaded her Son *E-*
vander to leave *Arcadia*, and go
and dwell in *Italy*; the second
was on the Fifteenth of the same
Month: The occasion of Building
Carmenta a Temple, is variously
reported; but this is the most re-
ceived, that the *Roman* Matrons
having taken a Resolution not to
see their Husbands until they had
the Privilege of riding in their
Litters as before, and that a new
Decree of the Senate which deny-
ed them that Conveniency were
reversed; the Senators were forced
to restore them to their former Li-
berty, which appeased them, and
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being come to a Good Understanding with their Husbands, they found the Effects of an extraordinary fruitfulness in the great Number of their Children, for which being willing to thank the Goddess *Carmenta*, they built her a Temple to Sacrifice in, and offer her Presents.

CARMA, or *Carna*, A certain Heathen Goddess of the Ancient Romans, which they believed to preside over the Good Habit of the Body, and to preserve the inward Parts of Men. *Junius Brutus* after he had drove out *Tarquinius Superbus*, Sacrificed to this false Deity upon Mount *Caelius* on the first of June: The Ancients also celebrated Feasts in honour of *Apollo Carneus*, or *Carnien*, whose Priests governed the Kingdom of the *Sicyonians* after *Leaxippus's* Death.

CARPOCRAS, or *Carpocrates*, an Heresiarch, Born in *Alexandria*, in the second Century, and a Disciple of *Simon Magus*: He held that the Son of God was but a meer Man, and the Son of *Joseph*, and that his Soul had nothing above the rest; only that it received more Virtues and Energy from God, whilst it dwelt with him, before its Union with the Body, than other Souls did, and that God was thus Liberal to it, to the End it might be able to overcome the Devils, that had created the World: He rejected the Old Testament, denied the Resurrection of the Dead, perswaded himself that there was no such thing as Evil in Nature, but only in People's Fancy: He added several other Impieties, left a Son called *Epiphanius*, that inherited his Crimes, and held his Absurd Sentiments.

CARTHUSIANS, See *Chartreux*.

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CARTULARIES, according to *Jerom de Costa*, were Papers, wherein the Contracts, Sales, Exchanges, Priviledges, Immunities, and other Acts that belong to Churches and Monasteries were Collected, the better to preserve the Ancient Deeds, being much later than the Facts mentioned in them.

CASTOR and **POLLUX**, believed to be the Brothers of *Helena*, and the Sons of *Jupiter* and *Leda*, the Wife of *Tindarus*; the ancient Heathen believed that *Jupiter* had made *Pollux* Immortal; but *Castor* being Killed, and *Pollux* desiring he might have Share of Immortality, *Jupiter* divided it between both, so that they lived and died by turns, and were placed in Heaven, and made the Sign of *Gemini*. The Pagan Romans built them a Temple, and looked upon them as their Protectors, believing they had defended them upon several Occasions: They were also honoured as Gods of the Sea, because they had cleared it of Pyrates: Antiquity also took them for a kind of Meteor or *Ignis Fatuus*, which shined like a Star, and promised well when they appeared both together, but were an ill Omen when they appeared singly: Those Fires (which many times are four or five) are now called *St. Elme's Fire* by the *Spaniards*, who superstitiously keep a solemn Feast for this pretended Saint, especially in *Guipuscoa* in *Biscay* and at *Thuy* in *Galicia*, because (in Imitation of Heathenism) they look upon him, as the Guardian and Protector of Seamen; Mr. *Ross* would have it, that the Ancient Heathens by *Castor* and *Pollux*, understand the *Sun* and *Moon*, which may be said to divide immortality, since one generally succeeds the other,

other, and as it were live and die to us, according as they were above or below our Horizon.

CATAPHRYGES, Christian Hereticks, that began to appear in the Second Century, they had this Name given, because the chief Promoters of this Heresy came out of *Phrygia*: They followed *Montanus* his Errors; laughed at the ancient Prophets, to gain the greater Credit for their own Doctors; corrupted the Form of Baptism; Christned the Dead, and made up the Communion Bread or *Eucharist* with Young Children's Blood: They pricked these poor Innocent Babes with Needles, and when the Children dyed in the Torment, which frequently happened; the *Cataphryges* invoked them as Martyrs, and listed those that escaped in the Number of their Priests.

CATECHISE, A Word that in *Greek* signifies to Instruct or Teach by Word of Mouth, and is a short and methodical Way in teaching the Mysteries of Faith or Religion; for in ancient Times these Mysteries were not delivered in Writing, lest they might fall into the Hands of Infidels, who might Ridicule and laught at them for want of the Knowledge of their true Meaning.

CATECHUMENS, A Name given in the first Ages of Christianity, to the *Jews* or *Gentiles* who were prepared and instructed to receive Baptism; It comes from the *Greek* Word *κατηχεῖν*, which signifies to teach by Word of Mouth, or *Viva Voce*, and of that Word this other *κατηχόμενος* is form'd, which denotes him that is so taught: These had People on Purpose to instruct them. *Eusebius* makes mention of *Pantheus*, Cle-

mens, and *Origen*, who were Catechists in the Church of *Alexandria*, and had a particular place in the Church, where they used to teach, and the same was called the place of the *Catechumens*, as appears by the Canons of the Council *Neo Casarea*: They tell us the *Catechumens* were not permitted to assist at the Celebration of the *Mafs* (was there any such in those Days?) but immediately after Gospel was read, the Deacons cryed with a loud Voice, *Withdraw in Peace, you Catechumens*, for so the Book of the Apostolical Constitutions will have it. The Service from the Beginning to the Offertory, was called *Missa Catechumenorum*. The *Catechumens* had only some of the consecrated Bread given them; for not being Baptized they were not to receive, nor so much as permitted to see the consecrated Elements in the *Eucharist*. According to a Canon of the Council of *Orange*, they were not permitted to pray with the Faithful, or those in full Communion: There were several Degrees of Favour in the State of the *Catechumens*, at first they were instructed privately, or by themselves, and afterwards admitted to hear Sermons in the Church, and these last were called *Audientes*: There was a third sort of *Catechumens* called *Orantes* or *Genusflectentes*, because they were present and concerned in some part of the Prayers: To which we may add a fourth Degree of *Catechumens*, which were the *Competentes*, for so they were called, when they desired to be Baptized.

CATHEDRAL, By this Word is meant the Episcopal Church of any place, being derived from the Word *Cathedra* or *Episcopal See*; for in former times, the Priests com-

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composed their ancient *Presbyterium*, with their Bishops, and were seated in Chairs after the Fashion of the *Jews Consistories*, and the Bishop that presided in the Assembly sat in a Chair raised above the rest, whence 'tis to this very time, that the Papists do superstitiously observe the Feasts of *St. Peter's Chair at Rome* and *Antioch*; but these Cathedrals of ancient times are not to be confounded with ours now a days; because the Word Church in them signified only an Assembly of Christians, as indeed it properly and truly is, and was not extended to Temples as they are now Built, since the Primitive Christians had no such before *Constantine the Great's* time.

CELESTINES, A Religious Order of Christians which derives its Name from its Founder *Celestin V.* a Hermit that followed the Rules of *St. Bennet*, and got the Institution confirmed by *Pope Gregory X.* in 1273. at the second general Council of *Lyons*; this Order soon multiplied in *Italy*, and was brought into *France* by *Philip the Fair*, who sent to *Peter of Sorrel*, a Singer of the Church of *Orleans*, or according to others, of that of *Amiens*, his Ambassador then at *Naples*, to beg twelve of this Order of the Abbot General of it, to be sent into *France*: When they were arrived, the King gave them two Monasteries, one in the Forest of *Orleans*, at a place called *Ambert*, and the other in the Forest of *Campeigne* in *Mount Chartres*. *Charles, Dauphin* and Regent of *France*, in 1352. while King *John* his Father was Prisoner in *England*, sent for six of these Religious of *Mount Chartres*, to establish them at *Paris* at a place called, *Barres*, where there

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is still a Monastery of that Order and this Prince in 1356, gave them every Month a Purse under the Seal of the Chancelery, which Gift was confirmed by a Patent in 1361. at King *John's* return. When *Charles* came to the Crown himself, he made them a Gift of a thousand Livers of Gold, with twelve Acres of the best Timber in the Forest of *Moret*, to build their Church with, whereof he himself laid the first Stone, and had it consecrated in his Presence: After which he settled a considerable parcel of Land upon the same Monastery.

CELICOLI, i. e. Heaven-Worshippers, certain Vagabonds, in 408, condemned in the Rescripts of the Emperor *Honorius*, amongst Heathens and Hereticks: Their being placed under the Title of *Jews* in the *Theodosian Code*, makes some Authors believe that they were Apostates from the Christian Religion, but declined to take the Name of *Jews*, upon the Account of their being odious; However, they were not ranged under the Jurisdiction of the *Jewish Patriarch*, but had a sort of Superiors whom they called *Majores*, and without doubt had particular Errors of their own.

CELLITES, A certain Religious Order of Popish Christians, which has Houses in *Antwerp*, *Lovain*, *Malines*, *Cologne*, and in other Towns of *Germany*, and the *Netherlands*, whose Founder was one *Mexius*, a Roman, mentioned in the History of *Italy*, where these are also called *Mexians*.

CENOBITES, A Name formerly given to such as entered into a Monastick Life, and lived in Communities to distinguish them from such as passed their Lives in *Wilderness*

derneffes, and alone, as Hermits and Anchorites.

CERDON, an Heresiarch of the second Century, the Disciple of *Heracleon*, he adhered to *Saturninus*, and *Simon Magus's* Tenets, as *Epiphanius* observes; spread his Errors in *Syria*, holding there were two Gods, one that had created Heaven, and the other the Earth, rejecting the Law and Prophets, and all the *New Testament*, except part of *Luke's Gospel*, and some of the Epistles of *St. Paul*. He also taught that Christ came in the shape of a Man, but had not a real Body, he allowed of the Resurrection of the Soul only, he came to *Rome* in Pope *Hyginus* his time, about a 152. and by a Counterfeit Abjuration of his Doctrine, endeavoured to cheat the Church, but was discovered and banished thence.

CEREALES and CEREALIA; They were certain Festivals among the *Pagans*, performed in honour of *Ceres* the Goddess of Corn, and instituted by *Triptolemus*, King of *Eleusis* in *Attica*, to whom that false Deity taught the Art of *Agriculture*: Those Feasts were celebrated with so much Religious Worship, that the Men during their continuance, abstained from the Use of their Wives: The Sacrifice was performed with extraordinary Respect, and no Wine was employed in it: The Priests of this Goddess were called *Taciti Mystæ*, because they were not to discover their Religious Rites, and these Feasts sometimes were known by the Name of *Theismophoria*, because they were dedicated to *Ceres Theismophore*, that is, *Law-maker*.

CERES, A Heathen Deity; the Daughter of *Saturn* and *Ops*, the

Goddess of Corn: We shall but just mention the Story of her wandering throughout all the Earth, in quest of her Daughter *Proserpina*, whom at last she procured to be six Months of the Year with her self in Heaven, and other six with her Husband *Pluto* in Hell; but observe that *Pausanias* says the Cities of *Greece*, and especially *Athens* and *Argos*, disputed together, as the *Egyptians* and *Phrygians* did, about the beginning and Antiquity of the Rites of *Ceres*, and tells us that the Mysteries of *Ceres* and *Isis* were so secret, that it was not allowed any to see her Statue, except her Priests; and he adds also elsewhere, that it was not allowed to any who were not admitted to those Religious Rites to inquire into them, much less to be present and Spectators at them. He speaks also of another Temple of *Ceres*, into which only Women might enter, assuring us, that the Mysteries and Sacrifices of *Ceres Eleusina* were the most Sacred that *Greece* had: Some distinguish the great Mysteries which they call *τέλειαι*, from the Lesser, which they call *μυστήρια*. The great ones were observed every Year in *Argos*, and the lesser once in five Years at *Eleusis*; the former in the Spring, and the latter in Autumn, as if they had a Respect to the Approaches or Departure of the Sun: The lesser lasted nine Days, and after it they celebrated divers sorts of Combats; *Cicero* much to the same purpose, tells us, that *Ceres* was honoured at *Catanea* in *Sicily*, as she was at *Rome*, and in other Parts of the World, where she had a Statue which no Man ever knew more of, than if there had never been any such, that Men never entred into her

her Temple, but only Women, and those Virgins who performed all the Offices of Priests.

CENRAWATH, The Name of a certain Sect of the Heathen *Banians* in the *East Indies*, who hold the Transmigration of Souls, with so much Superstition, that they will not kill the least Insect, their *Bramans* or Priests carry a piece of Linnen before their Mouth, that no Flies may enter; the rest go bare Foot, and bare headed with a white Stick in their Hands to distinguish them from others. They drink no Water before it is boyled, least they might unawares swallow some living Creatures, and take care to keep the Flies, and other such Animals from burning themselves in the Fire: They say, God is not absolute Master of *Futurities*, nor the disposer of Good and Bad Fortune: They neither believe there is a Heaven nor a Hell, but hold that the Soul is immortal, and would have it to pass from one Body into another, of Man or Beast, according as it deserved, in its former Station: Their Mosques which they call *Rale*, they build squareways, and the Chappel of their Pagans or Idols, in a Pyramidical Form; they burn the Bodies of their old People after their Decease, but bury those of Children that die under three Years of Age: Their Widows are not obliged to bury themselves with their Husbands, but vow perpetual Widowhood. All those of this Sect may take the Orders of Priesthood, Women as well as Men, but the Women must be above twenty Years of Age, tho' the Men are received after Nine: They that enter upon this kind of Life, must take the Habit upon them, Vow of Chastity, and practise

great Austerities sometimes to that degree, that for nine Days together they take nothing but Water, with a certain bitter Wood grated in, said to be nourishing, which seems incredible, yet 'tis held for a certain Truth in the *Indies*: All the other Sects of the *Banians* have an Aversion and great Contempt of this, and condemn it to that Degree, that they continually exhort their Auditors to shun the Conversation of all such People.

CHALVETTI, The Founder of several Religious Orders among the *Turkish Mahometans*; they are his Rules, which the *Mimetulabites*, the *Cadrites*, the *Calenders*, *Edhemites*, *Hizrevites* and *Bahtaschites* follow.

CHAMOS, or *Chemosh*, an Idol of the *Moabites*, which St. *Jerom* believes to be the same as *Beelphegor*, or *Priapus*, but the most probable Opinion is, that it was *Bacchus* God of Wine, who is called *Kómos*, or *Chomos*, by the *Greeks*, or the *Dionysius* of the *Egyptians*.

CHARITE, A Religious Order among the Christians, instituted by B. *John of Gad*, for to serve and look after the Sick, and approved by *Leo X.* in 1520. Those of this Order do not Study at all, nor aspire to Holy Orders, and the Priests that are received amongst them, can never accept of higher Dignities: Their Founder went every day to beg for the Sick, crying as they went along with a loud Voice, *Do Good my Brethren for the Love of God*, for which Reason the Brothers of the Order are called in *Italy*, *Fatte ben Fratell*.

CHARITE of our Lady, A Religious Order in the Church of *Rome*, that observes St. *Augustin's* Rule,

Rule, established in the Diocess of *Chalon in Campaigne* by *Guy Lord of Joinville*, and of the Burrow of *St. George*: This Order was approved by *Boniface VII.* and *Clement VI.*

CHARTREUX, A Religious Order of the *Romish Church*, founded by *Bruno* a Native of *Cologne*, and Canon of *Rheims*, who retired from the Conversation of the World in 1084, to a place called *Chartreuse*, in the Mountains of *Dauphinè*: This Man left the Order no Rules, nor had it any till *Basil VII.* General thereof, formed some Constitutions out of the Customs they were wont to observe, and had them confirmed by the Pope: Those of this Order observe a strict Fast, and almost perpetual Silence, an Abstinence from Flesh even in their Sickness, a continual Confinement to their Cloyster, and wear always a Hair Shirt: Their General takes the Title of Prior of the *Chartreuse*, where he holds every Year a general Chapter for the Affairs of the Order. The Rules prescribed this Order are to wear a Hair Cloth on their naked Skin, never to Eat any Flesh, no not in Case of any desperate Disease, nor to buy any fish, nor to eat any except it be given them; to eat only Bread made of Bran, and to drink only Water mingled with a little Wine, to eat nothing on *Sundays* and *Thursdays* but Cheese and Eggs; *Tuesdays* and *Saturdays* Pulse, and only Bread and Water the other days of the Week; that they ought themselves to prepare their own Victuals, and to take their Refection alone: But the *Christmas*, *Easter*, and *Whitson-Holidays*, were to be excepted from this Observance, wherein they Eat

twice a day in common; that they ought to remain in their Cells, give themselves to prayer and reading, and likewise to Hand Labours, and particularly to the transcribing of Books; that they ought almost to keep a continual Silence; that they must recite the smaller Prayers of the Canonical Office, privately in their Cells, at the ringing of the Bell; that Morning and Evening Songs, together with the Masses, ought to be performed at Church those Days when they do Eat in common; that it was not allowed them to say Mass every Day; that none should upon any Pretence go out of the Monastery, but the Prior, and the Proxy for Business; that they ought to be satisfied with a very little space of Ground about their Cells, after which let the whole World be offered to them, they ought not to desire a Foot more; such a number of Cattle were permitted them which they ought not to exceed; that there ought to be in a Charterhouse twelve Monks only, one Prior, eighteen Convert Brethren, and some few Servants; the Entrance of their Cloysters, and of their Churches, was also forbidden to Women: They never admit to Penitence, those that once leave their Order; they are all cloathed in White, except their pleated Cloak which is Black.

CHAVARITES, or *Chawarigi*, an ancient *Mahometan* Sect, who deny there is, or has been any such Function as that of a Prophet, allowed by God in any Particular Person, nor any ever sent into the World with that Power of Infallibility to resolve Doubts, and to teach and impose a New Law upon Mankind: But if at any time such an Office should be necessary,

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it could never be restrained to one Family or Linage; for if so be the Person was faithful and Just, it was no matter whether he were Bond or Free.

CHEFEIER, in Latin, *Capicerius*, signifies the same with *Primicerius*, who was the first Person in the Catalogue of an Ecclesiastical Chapter, which is as much as to say, he was *Primus in Cæra*, he had his Name standing at the head of the Roll, it being anciently the custom to write on Tables of Wax; the *Primicerius* in Gregory the Great's time, had an Authority over the Inferior Clergy and the management of the Quire, it being his business to see Divine Service decently perform'd: It was moreover his practice to punish the irregular Clergy, and to inform the Bishop of such as were incorrigible.

CHEQ, i. e. The Prince of *Mecca*, who is as it were High Priest of the Law, and Sovereign Pontiff of all the Mahometans of whatever Sect or Country they be: The Grand Signior sends him a yearly rich Carpet, a sumptuous Tent, with a great sum of Money to provide for all the Pilgrims during the seventeen days of their Devotion; and the *Cheq* to make the Expences appear considerable, makes the deluded *Mahometans* believe, there comes yearly Seventy thousand Pilgrims to *Mecca*, and that if this number should not happen to be compleat, that then Angels would assume Humane shape to make them up: As for the Carpet and Tent they are very rich pieces, the first being to cover the False Prophets Tomb, and the Tent is pitched opposite to the *Mosque*, for the *Cheq* to dwell in during the 17 days Devotion, who when the Year is over, sends pieces of this Carpet and Tent to several Ma-

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hometan Princes, in lieu of which they return him great Presents, since he makes them believe, that if they stick a piece of the Curtain that environed *Mahomet's* Tent to theirs, they cannot fail of being Victorious over their Enemies, whom he calls Infidels: He never sends the whole Tent or Carpet to any meaner Persons than the *Great Mogul* or *Cham* of *Tartary*, and this he does once in the space of Ten Years, first to the one and afterwards to the other: Besides the gains he has by these cunning Practises, all the Gifts that are sent either to *Mecca* or *Medina* are his, which with the Pilgrims Expences when they live upon their own Charge after the Expiration of the Seventeen Days, amount to an immense Sum, yet it is to be observed that there are no Reliques of this False Prophet *Mahomet* at *Mecca*, but one of his supposed Slippers, for his Tomb is at *Medina*.

CHERUBINS, Angels of the second Rank of the first Hierarchy; *Josephus* speaking of the two Cherubins that cover'd the Ark, says, that they were winged and did not resemble any of the Creatures that we know; that *Moses* represented them in the very form, they appeared to him on the Throne of God: But as for *Ezekiel's* Cherubins, their Figure is expressly noted, viz. a Man, a Lion, an Ox, and an Eagle; but Authors do not agree whether each had a particular Figure; *Vilalpandus* is for the last, and believes that each Cherubin had a shape composed of all four, viz. The Feet and Arms of a Man, the Wings of an Eagle, a Lyons Panch, and Calfs Feet, and thinks that the Cherubins of the Ark were also the same.

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CHILIASTS, or *Millenaries*, A Party of Christians who do believe that after the general or last Judgment, the Saints shall live a Thousand Years upon Earth, and enjoy all manner of innocent satisfaction: Its thought *Papius* Bishop of *Hierapolis*, who lived in the second Century, was Disciple to St. *John the Evangelist*, or as some others think, to *John the Elder*, was the first who maintained this Opinion: The Authority of this Bishop, supported by some passages in the *Revelations*, brought a great many of the Primitive Fathers to embrace his persuasion, as *Ireneus*, *Justin Martyr*, *Tertullian*, and afterwards *Nepos* an *Egyptian* Bishop, living in the Third Century, was so far engaged in this Belief, and maintained it with so much Elocution, that *Dionysius* Bishop of *Alexandria*, thought himself obliged to write against him: Upon which *Corracian* one of the Principal Abbettors of this Doctrine renounced it publickly, which practice was followed by the generality of the West. The *Millenaries* were in like manner condemn'd by Pope *Damasus* in a Synod held at *Rome* against the *Apollinarians*. Some of the Modern *Millenaries* have refined the Notion of *Cerinthus*, and made the satisfactions Rational and Angelical, untainted with any thing of Sensuality or *Epicurism*. As for the time of this Thousand years those that hold this Opinion are not perfectly agreed, Mr. *Mead* makes it to commence and determine before the general Conflagration; but Doctor *Burnet* supposes that this World will be first destroyed, and that a new Paradisaical Earth will be formed out of the Ashes of the old one, where the Saints will converse together for a Thousand

Years, and then be translated to a higher Station.

CHINES, the Idols of the Heathen *Chinese*, built in a Pyramidical form and curiously wrought, wherein some say there are a kind of white Ants that lie hid in their little Apartments made in the form of Oratories: The Pagans stand in such fear of these *Chines*, that when they buy a Slave, they carry him before them, and after they have offered Rice and other things according to their Superstition, they beg of the Idol, that if the Slave run away, he might be devoured by Tygers or Lyons, which keeps the poor Wretches so to their business, that they never go away, tho' cruelly misused.

CHOREPISCOPI, a Name that was given formerly to such as Officiated for Bishops in the Villages or Monasteries abroad in the Country. The first Council of *Nice* in 325, makes mention of them, and the Council of *Ancyra* in 314. titles them the Bishops Vicars, which made some think they were the same with the Archdeacons, or at least seemed to be distinguished in the Canons of the Council of *Nice*, where it is said, that the Archdeacons and they, are as it were two Hands and Wings, which the Bishops make use of to expedite business in the Country: However, the *Chorepiscopi* were above Priests, or at least took their places in Councils next the Bishops, but were none, for they neither had the title nor an Episcopal See, nor all the Ceremonies of a Bishop's Consecration: Besides the Council of *Neo-Casarea* in 138 says, that they represented the Seventy two Disciples, which shews they were under the Bishops, said to be the Apostles Successors; Father *Simon* like.

likewise observes, that they had not the Character of Bishops, nor the Power to ordain Priests or Deacons, but only Subdeacons, Readers and Exorcists, which were the lowest Ecclesiastical Orders; and whom Church History makes mention of conferring the Orders of Priesthood, &c. it was because they were really Bishops, who being banished their own Dioceses by War or other Misfortunes, were *Chorepiscopi* or Assistants to other Bishops who employed them. This Dignity was suppressed by Pope *Leo*, as may be seen in *Charlemagne's* Capitularies; but some retain the Name still in several Churches of *Cologne*, and others do the Office without the Name, as the Vicars, who in some Dioceses have Episcopal Jurisdiction, as the great Vicar of *Pontois* near *Paris*, who thereupon represents the Archbishop of *Roan*, and all depend immediately upon him.

CHRISTIANS, A name given to such as believe in our Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ, and first received at *Antioch*, they being before called Disciples: This Appellation was given them about the Year 41. They were likewise called Brethren, Saints, Believers, &c. but the Heathens gave them a great many Nicknames, as *Galileans*, *Magitians*, and confounded them with the *Jews*: The grand Aversion they had to them, made them believe they were the cause of all the Misfortunes which befel the *Roman* Empire: They accused them likewise of eating up of little Children at their Meetings, worshipping an *Idol's* Head, and other monstrous practices: These violent Prejudices put them upon persecuting and torturing the Poor innocent Christians with all imaginable Cruelty;

but their Blood, as *Tertullian* observes, was a Principle of Life to the Church, which like the Increase of Corn, made it multiply in a surprising Manner. *Sanguis Martyrum est semen Ecclesie.*

CHRISTIANS of *St. Thomas*, A sort of Christians in the *Peninsula* of *India*, on this side the *Ganges*, who are in some measure *Arrians* and *Nestorians*, they do believe the real Presence in the Sacrament, and retain a great many Apostolical Traditions; They dwell mostly at *Cranganor*, and in the neighbouring Country; there are some of them likewise at *Negapatan*, *Meliapor*, and at *Angamale* beyond *Cochin*, where their Archbishop resides, who is under the Jurisdiction of the Patriarch of *Babylon*: The Jesuits have not long ago brought some of them over to the Church of *Rome*; they are called Christians of *St. Thomas*, because 'tis affirmed that Apostle preached the Gospel, and was a Martyr in the *Peninsula*, for whom these Christians have a particular Veneration.

CHRISTOLYTES, A certain Christian Sect that appeared in the sixth Century, which held, that when Christ descended into Hell, he left his Soul and Body there, and only rose with his Divinity to Heaven.

CHUPINESSAHI, A Modern Sect of *Mahometans*, supported chiefly by the Gallants of the *Seraglio*, and common in *Constantinople*, the same signifying as much as the Good Followers of the *Messiah*; they hold that Christ is God, and the Redeemer of the World, the Young Scholars of the Port, and especially such as are most courteous and affable, are much addicted to it, so that it is become

a Proverb amongst them, when they would commend the Gentleness of each other's Nature, to say *Chapmessahisen*, i. e. *You are Kind, Accomplished, and Excessive in your Favours, as becomes one who professes the Messiah*: Some have been such bold Assertors of this Doctrine, that they have suffered Martyrdom for it.

CHURCHES, (*Christian*) when our Blessed Saviour had by his Death and Passion, put an end to the Types and Figures of the *Testament*, and begun the new Covenant with his People, the Old Legal Temple at *Jerusalem*, and the place appointed for the true Worship of God was then abandoned by the Holy Spirit, the Veil of it was rent, and Christianity beginning to grow up, Its Professors had Places for Religious Worship, in every Town where the Faith was propagated: The Places being set apart for Prayers, Administration of the Sacrament, and other Parts of the Divine Worship, were called by several Names, of which that of *Ecclesia*, (which in *English* we call Church) is one of the most ancient, and the same in *Greek* signifying an Assembly, was made use of by the Primitive Christians, to signify not only an Assembly, which truly and properly is the Church, but also the Place where they met. In the Apostles time, the Christians made use of their own Houses for Churches, and these in process of time were turned into Churches, and ornamented suitable to the Dignity of the Employment they were put to: The other Names by which Churches were called, were *Tituli Domus Oratoriae, Memoria, Martyria, Concilia Martyrum, Consilia sanctorum*, and *Basilicae*; they

were called *Tituli*, in imitation of Houses forfeited to the Emperors, on which their Pictures were fastened on a piece of Canvas, and were so denominated, instead of which the Christians put up a Cross: The Name *Memoria* or Memorials, was given to the Churches, when the Custom began to build them in honour of the Memory of the Saints; for which Reason they were likewise called *Martyria*, or *Consilia Martyrum*; the Name of *Consilia Sanctorum*, was given them, because all the Christians who met there were called Saints: As for *Basilica*, it was made use in the Opinion of some, because Royal Palaces were so called, the Christians believing that this Magnificent Distinction, could not be applied with so much Propriety to any Houses as to those which were consecrated to the King of Kings; others affirm, that not only Kings Pallaces, but likewise their Courts of Justice, and Town-Halls were called, *Basilicae*, some of which were given to the Christians to make Churches of, upon which Account the former Name was not only continued, but likewise given to all other Houses consecrated to Religion; However, in process of time, none but the most considerable Churches either for the Bigness or Curiosity of the Structure, were called *Basilicae*.

CINERES and RELIQUIÆ, the Ashes and Remnants of the Bodies burnt at *Rome*, in the time of Heathenism, which the Relations of the deceased, cloathing themselves in Mourning gathered together: The Religious part of this Custom was thus; they began it by invoking the *Dii Manes*, and the Soul of the deceased, praying him to accept that pious Duty which

which they were about to pay him, then washing their Hands, and pouring Milk and Wine upon the Fire, they gathered the Ashes and Bones, and sprinkled them with Wine and Milk, and put them into an Urn with their own Tears; after which the Priest sprinkled it and all present to purifie them with a Branch of Rosemary, Lawrel, or Olive, and dismiss the Assembly with these Words, *I licet, You may go and depart.*

CIRCENSES, Plays and Combats used at *Rome*, like the *Olympicks* at *Elis* in *Greece*, dedicated to *Jupiter*, but the first were kept in honour of *Consus*, the God of Councils, and called *Circenses* from the Word *Circus*: The *Roman* Emperors in succeeding Ages, kept these Sports with much Magnificence, carrying before them the Images of their false Gods, Emperors and great Commanders, as in Triumph. To give an Account of the several sort of Games, and describe the *Circus*, where they were acted, I purposely omit, as foreign to the present Design.

CIRCUMCELLIANS, A Sect of the *Donatist* Christians in *Africa*, in the fourth Century, being so called, because they rambled from one Town to another, and pretended to publick Reformation, and redressing of Grievances; they manumised Slaves without their Masters leave, forgave Debts which were none of their own, and committed a great many other Insolencies: They were headed by *Maxides* and *Fafer*: At the beginning of their Disorders they marched only with Staves, which they called the *Staves of Israel*, in Allusion to the

Custom of the *Israelites*, eating the *Pascal Lamb* with Staves in their Hands; but afterwards they made use of all sorts of Arms, against the *Catholicks*: *Donatus* called them the *Saints Chiefs*, and revenged himself by their Means upon the *Catholicks*: A mistaken Zeal for Martyrdom made these People destroy themselves: Some of them threw themselves down Precipices, others leaped into the Fire, and some cut their own Throats: So that their Bishops not being able to prevent such horrible and unnatural Violences, were obliged to apply themselves to the Magistracy to put an End to their Frenzy.

CIRCUS; properly the Wind that is about the *Caurus*, and is called North-West; however, the *Romans* seemed to make a Deity of it. *Augustus* having built a Temple to it among the *Gauls*, who were much troubled with this Wind, because it blew down their Houses; yet their People thought themselves much Benefitted by it, because it cleared the Air.

CIRCUMCISION, A Ceremony of the *Jews*, which yet has not been particular to them alone, but used by several other People, as may be seen in *Herodotus*, and hence it is that the *Ethiopians* have always observed it, and do still, notwithstanding their being Christians. Its also well known, that the *Mahometan Turks*, *Persians*, and *Arabians* practise it still; tho' the last do not till they arrive at the Age of thirteen Years; because *Ismael*, from whom they derive their Origin, according to *Josephus*, was not circumcised till that Age: *R. Leo* of *Modena* gives us the following Account of the Ceremonies used by the *Jews*, when

when they Circumcise, which they never do before the eighth Day mentioned in the Law, but they defer it, tho' the Child happen to be Ill or Weak: There is a Godfather to hold it during the Operation and the rest of the Ceremony, and a Godmother who brings it from the House to the *Synagogue*, and carries it back again: The Person that does the Operation is called *Mahel*, or the Circumciser, and may be whom they please to choose; for the Child's Father if dextrous is allowed to do it; the place is not determined, but it may be done in any House as well as in the *Synagogue*, the place pitched upon is made ready very early, and two Seats prepared with Silk Cushions, one for the Godfather to sit on, and the other designed for the Prophet *Elias*, who, they suppose, assists invisibly at all these Ceremonies: A great many People flock thither along with the Circumciser, who brings a Dish wherein his Instruments and other Necessaries are, as his Razor, Astringent Powder, Rags, Cotton, and Oyl of Roses. Some say there is also a Porringer with Sand or Earth to receive the Prepuce, whilst they expect the Godmother who comes accompanied with other Women, and delivers the Infant to the Godfather at the *Synagogue* Door, for no Woman comes in: They within sing some Hymn or *Cantique*, and when the Child is come, they all cry *Baruc habba*, or welcome. The Godfather, places the Child on his Knees, the Circumciser undoes the Clouts, and taking his Razor, says; *Blessed be thou, O Lord, who hast commanded us to Circumcise*: In pronouncing these Words he cuts the thick Skin of the *Prepuce*, and with the

Nails of his Thumbs tears the other thinner one; then sucks the Blood that runs out, twice or thrice, and spits it into a Cup of Wine: After that, he dresses the Wound with Dragons Blood, Coral Powder, and what other things are most proper to stop the Blood, laying Clouts on, soaked in Oyl of Roses, and ties it up. This done, the *Mahel* takes a Cup of Wine, and after once Blessing it, repeats a second *Benediction* for the Child, giving him the Name they have chosen for him, and then pronouncing these Words of *Ezekiel*, *Live in thy Blood*, he moistens his Lips with the Wine he had spit the Blood into, after which they repeat the 138 *Psalms*, &c. *Happy are those that fear the Lord*, &c. This being ended, the Godfather delivers the Child to the Godmother to be carried home, and give it to its own Mother: If a Child happens to die before he is Circumcised, there are some who perform this Ceremony upon him after he is Dead with a Reed; but if it be a Daughter, there is no more done, only at the beginning of the Month, when the Mother is up and goes to the *Synagogue*, the Singer Blessing the Child, gives it the Name which the Father desires.

CISTERTIANS, or *Citeaux*, A Religious Order of Christians sprung from St. Bennet, and is famous in the *Romish* Church since the Eleventh Century, when it was founded in 1098. by Robert Abbot of *Molesme*, in the Diocess of *Lan-gres* in France, who built the first Abbey of this Name in the Diocess of *Chaalons*, by the great Gift of *Otho I.* Duke of Burgundy, and the assistance of two Prelates, *Gautier* of *Chaalons*, and *Hagues* of *Lyons*, who

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who being then Legate of the See of Rome, approved of the Institution: *Alderick* succeeded *Molesme*, in 1099. After whom came *Stephen*, ten Years after, who received *St. Bernard*, with his Companions, which rendred the Order so powerful, that it governed most part of *Europe*, for a whole Age, both in Spiritual and Temporal Concerns.

St. CLAIRE, A Religious Order of Women in the Church of *Rome*, the Second that *St. Francis* founded in 1213. and was confirmed by *Innocent III.* and after him by *Honorius III.* in 1223. It took its Name from its first Abbess and Nun *Clara* of *Assise*, and was afterwards divided into *Damianists* and *Urbanists*: The first follow the ancient Discipline in all its Rigour, but the other the Rule with *Urban IV's* Allowance.

CLEMENCY, was worshipped by the Ancient Heathens for a Goddess, and they Pictured her holding a Branch of Lawrel in one Hand, and a Spear in the other, to denote that Gentleness and Pity belonged only to victorious Warriors: The *Romans* dedicated a Temple to her by the Order of the Senate, after the Death of *Julius Caesar*, as *Plutarch* and *Cicero* informs us. *Claudian* describes her as the Guardian of the World; and the Emperors *Tiberius* and *Vitellius* caused her to be stamped on their Coin.

CLIO, Among the Heathens was one of the Nine Muses, and called by them the Daughter of *Jupiter* and of *Memory*, to mark the Office of a Historian: She had this Name from *κλέος*, a Greek Word, that signifies Glory, to shew that which famous Writers reap by a Work of this Nature, and is generally represented in the form of a Young

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Maiden, crowned with Lawrels holding a Trumpet in her Right Hand, and a Book in her Left, with *Thucydides* Name written on it: In short, she was esteemed for a kind of Deity amongst the Pagan *Romans*, and passed for the Goddess of Memory.

CLOTHO, One of the Three Destinies among the ancient Heathens, I do not know of any Temple erected for her, or Divine Adoration paid her; but they certainly believed her to be a kind of Divinity, since they ascribed, to her the Power of Spinning the Life of Man. For *Clotho* (they said) held the Spindle, and drew the Thread; she was represented in a long Gown of divers Colours, holding a Crown on her Head set with seven Stars, and a Spindle in her Hand: *Lucian* indeed places her in Hell with *Charon*, and makes her to keep the Register of all the Dead, that *Charon* brings over in his Boat.

CNEF, A false Deity worshipped by the *Egyptians*, to whom they attributed the Creation of the World, as we learn from *Plutarch* in his *Isis* and *Osiris*: *Porphyry*, as he is cited by *Eusebius* in his third Book, *de Preparatione Evangelica*, is of *Plutarch's* Opinion, and reports that the *Ægyptians* represented this *Cnef* with an Egg coming out of his Mouth, an Egg with them being the Emblem of the World. It's probable that *Cnef*, is the same with *Cnuphis* in *Strabo*, who had a Temple in *Syene*, in the Country of *Thebais*, or the Upper *Ægypt*.

COELUM, Among the Heathens, was reputed to be the Son of the Day, and Husband of *Vesta*, i. e. the Earth, or the most ancient of their Gods, who for one of

his Children had *Time* named *Saturn*, who with a cut of a Sickle, deprived his Father of his Genitals, which he cast into the Sea, and by the Froth that came from the Emotion of the Waves, *Venus* was produced: *Lactantius* in his Book of false Religions, says, that *Cælis* or *Cælum* was a very powerful Man, and therefore not only Honoured and Feared as a King, but also adored as a Deity, which made them derive his Extraction from the highest and most illustrious thing in the World.

COLLEGIUM ÆSCULAPII and HYGIÆ, the Colledge of *Æsculapius*, and of *Health*: This among the Heathen Romans, was a Congregation of Sixty Persons, who at certain Days in the Year met at an appointed place, to offer Sacrifices in behalf of those who were willing to implore the help of *Æsculapius* and *Health*, and there they entertained one another.

COLLEGIUM DENDROPHORUM, the College of the *Dendrophori*. It's difficult to know what these People were: *Salmatius* is of Opinion, they were those Men who in the Processions made in honour of the Gods, carried branches of Trees, according to the Etymology of the Word *Δενδροφορ*, which signifies one that carries a Tree, for which reason this Epithet was given to *Silvanus*, in an ancient Inscription recorded by *Gruther*, because this Deity is commonly represented carrying the Branch of a Pine-Tree, or some other Tree. The Title of the *Theodosian Code*, concerning the Heathens and their Temples, seems to favour this Opinion in the 20th Law: 'Tis just, says the Text, that all the places that the *Dendrophori*, and other Heathen Possessors have

possessed, and were appointed for keeping of Feasts and Distribution of Money, be applied to the Revenues of our House, having first banished the Error that had first given Birth to them: So that according to this Opinion, *Dendrophori* was not the Name of a Trade, but of Religion or Superstition; however many learned Men hold the contrary Opinion, and make *Dendrophori* to be no more than Timber Merchants.

COLLIRIDIANS, Some Hereticks that worshipped the Holy Virgin *Mary* as a Goddess, and offered a Cake in Sacrifice to her; they appeared in the fourth Century, about the Year 373.

COMPITALIA, Feasts which the Heathen Romans celebrated in their Cross-Ways, in honour of their Household Gods, called *Lares* and *Penates*, whom they made to preside, not only in their Houses, but also in publick Places, and in the Streets: The Name comes from *Compita*, which signifies the meeting of Ways that cross one another: This Festival was instituted by *Servius* the sixth King of *Rome*, who ordered that the Slaves should do the Ceremonies with the Priests, so that they enjoyed a kind of Liberty during that time. They also kept Plays, and Sacrificed for the Health and Prosperity of Families. *Tarquin* the Proud consulting the Oracle upon the Subject of these Sacrifices, was answered that he should offer Heads to the Gods *Lares*, and their Mother *Mania*, wherefore for some Years they barbarously presented Young Childrens Heads, till *Junius Brutus* taking compassion on these Innocent Victims, ordered Poppy Heads instead of theirs: These Plays and Sacrifices being discontinued,

tinued, were re-established by *Augustus*, and kept twice a Year: This Feast was commonly kept in *January* the Day before the *Ides*, that is the twelfth Day of the Month, and in *May* the sixth Day before the *Nones* (which is the second Day according to the Old Roman Calender) and *Dionysius Halicarnassensis* says it was celebrated after the *Saturnalia* in the beginning of *January*, and that it was proclaimed in these Words, *Die nono post Kalend. Jan. Quiritibus Compitalia erunt.*

COMUS, The Heathen Deity of rejoycing and Feasting, and President at Dancing and Debaucheries: *Philostratus* in the Third Book of his Pictures, represents him Young and Fair, with a Red Face by too much drinking, a lighted Flambeau in his Hand, which he holds down to the very Ground, and seems to burn his Legs with it; he is crowned with Garlands of Flowers among Feastings and Pleasures.

CONCEPTION, A Religious Order of Nuns among the Papists, Founded by *Beatrix* of *Silva*, a Portuguese, and confirmed by *Innocent VIII*, who gave them the Rules of the *Cistercian* Order in 1419, but they after *Beatrix's* Death changed them for *St. Claire*, retaining the same Name and Habit as at first. *Julius* the Second drew them quite from the Direction of the *Cistercians* and recommended them to the *Franciscans* Care in 1511.

CONCEPTION, (*Immaculate*) or the Immaculate Conception; thus the Papists will have the State of the Blessed Virgin *Mary's* Body and Soul to be, before her Birth. *Moncon*, a Dominican Doctor of Divinity at *Paris*, published a

Thesis in 1387, in *St. Thomas's* Hall, maintaining that the Blessed Virgin was conceived in Original Sin, and that it was an Error in point of Faith, to assert the contrary: This Opinion was plainly condemned by the University of *Paris*, and afterwards by the Pope; which signifies nothing to the Protestants, who in general hold the contrary, and that none but our Blessed Saviour himself was ever Conceived and Born in a sinless state.

CONCLAVE, a place where the Cardinals meet for the choosing of a new Pope: The Assembly is also called by this Name, and it depends upon the Members themselves to pitch upon the place, for the *Conclave* has no determined one: Yet since some time, the *Vatican*, has been constantly made use both for the largeness of the place and other Conveniences. The Cardinals meet there without any more to do: Here they build in a great Appartment as many Deal Cells as there are Cardinals, with Lodges and places for the *Conclavists* that shut themselves in to wait and serve the Cardinals. These little Chambers have their Numbers and are drawn by Lot, so that it often happens that Cardinals of different Factions lodge near one another. These are made up during the nine days Ceremony for the Popes Funeral, during which time any body may go in and see the Cells, which are hung on the outside with Green Serge or Camblet, only those that belong to the Favourites of the Deceased, or are such as had been promoted by him, are covered with deep Violet colour'd Cloath, and over each is the Cardinals Arms that lives in it. Between the Cells and the Windows of the Palace there is a long Gallery

Gallery for the conveniency of the Conclave, and its from this the Cells receive their light. Next day after the Pope's Burial, that is the Tenth after his Decease, the Cardinals having heard Mass, they invoke the Holy Ghost (as they term it) and go in procession two by two into the *Conclave*, where they all meet in the Chappel every Morning and Evening for a Scrutiny, which is done by writing their suffrages in little Billets, and putting them in a Chalice that stands upon the Altar: When all are put in, two Cardinals are chosen by the rest, to read them openly that are named, and to keep an account of the number of each, and this is done till two thirds joyn for the same Person; but a Pope is seldom chosen after this manner, when it appears that after the scrutiny they come to what they call an *Accez* or *Access*, that is a tryal whether he that has most Voices in the Scrutiny could reach to two thirds; but tis observable that they cannot give their Suffrages in the *Accez*, to those they have appeared for in the Scrutiny: If this does not succeed they have recourse to the way of Inspiration (as they term it) which is an open Declaration, or rather Combination of many Cardinals to cry together, *such a Cardinal is Pope*. For Example, *Altieri Papa* is begun by one or two Chiefs of a Party, when they find Suffrages enough to assure them, that this method will not fail, and then the rest of the Cardinals are forced to joyn, that they may not incur the Pope's displeasure, who would be chosen in spite of them: As for the Scrutiny 'tis done after this manner, each Cardinal prepares his Billet, wherein he writes his own and the

others name he is for, and another word of device; the Cardinals name is writ under the fold of the Paper, and sealed with a Seal for that purpose. The name of the chosen is writ by the Conclavist under another fold without the Seal, and the word by which the Cardinal knows that it is his Name is read, is writ on the outside, as *Deo volente* or the like: The fold that covers the Cardinals name is never opened until the Pope be chosen, who to know them that helped towards his promotion, unfolds all. The Motto serves in the *Accez*, that it may appear that each Cardinal has given another besides that in the Scrutiny, seeing two Billets with different Persons under the same name; and at the end of the Scrutiny and *Accez*, if the Suffrage be not sufficient for to compleat the Election, they burn all the Billings that the Electors names may be kept secret. Each Cardinal during the *Conclave* is allowed but two Servants, or three at most, and this only to Princes, or for some particular Priviledge: Several seek for this Imployment, because the new Elected Pope gives each Conclavist three or four hundred *Livers*, and they have the pleasure of seeing all that passes; yet the place is troublesome enough, because they must take in their Meat and Drink from a certain place common to all that live in the same part, must wait at Table and be as strictly confined as their Masters.

CONCORDAT; This being a thing that has some reference to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, we shall a little explain it: By it is generally understood *Francis I.* of France, his Agreement with Pope *Leo X.* in 1516, to abolish the Pragmatick Sanction;

Sanction; and here we must observe, that *Clotair* the II. issued out an Edict in 615. approved by all the Bishops of his Kingdom, assembled at the fifth Council of *Paris*, by which he order'd that no Bishop, tho chosen by the Clergy and People, should be Consecrated, if that King did not approve of him; and he that should be nominated by the King, should be accepted, if the Metropolitan found no just cause to reject him: Now King *Charles VII.* in the Council of *Bourges* in 1439, establish'd the Pragmatick Sanction, whereby part of the Clergy, without consulting with the People or the Archbishops, or other Bishops of Provinces, chose their Bishops, leaving the King the Privilege of consenting to, and Confirming the Election, if he liked it: This the Court of *Rome* resented; the Court first desired, and afterwards in the *Lateral* Council, cited this King and Clergy of *France* to appear and give their Reasons, why they did not abolish that Pragmatick; whereupon King *Francis I.* made this Agreement, called *Concordat*, with Pope *Leo* aforesaid, whereby the King had the Power to nominate such as he thought fit for Bishops, &c. and the Pope, if he found no fault, either in respect to the Capacity or Life of the Person in Nomination, is to give his Bulls, by vertue of which he is Consecrated. The Parliament, Clergy, and the University of *Paris*, were much against Registering this Agreement, yet consented to it at last, but solemnly protested, that they did it only in obedience to the King's repeated Commands: This *Concordat* differed from that of *Clotaire*, that the Pope, by this, had no

Power to examine the Ability of the Person elected; so that, in his time, they Consecrated their Bishops, without troubling themselves to send to *Rome* for Bulls. See *Pragmatick Sanction*.

CONCORDAT, (*Germanick*) or the Concordat of *Germany*: A Treaty relating to Ecclesiastical Affairs, made in 1448, between Pope *Nicholas V.* and the Emperor *Frederick III.* Confirmed by *Clement VIII.* and *Gregory XIII.* It comprehended Four Parts; in the First of which, the Pope reserved to himself, the Conferring of all vacant Benefices at *Rome*, and 100 Days Journey from it, of whatever Degree, either Secular or Regular, which before went by Election, without exception of Cardinals or other Officers of the Holy See: The Second concerns the Elections that are to be Confirmed by the Pope, as Metropolis's, Cathedrals and Monasteries, depending immediately on the Pope; and have the Privilege of Canonical Election: The Third concerns Livings that are successively given by the Popes and their proper Patrons; that the Pope has the Privilege to Confer both Secular and Regular Livings; for the Months of *January, March, May, July, September, November*, and the Bishop or Archbishop within the District of their Dioceses during the other Months: The Fourth and Last Part speaks of the Annals or first Fruits, after the Death or Removal of the Incumbent.

CONCORDIA, *Concord*; a Heathen Divinity much respected among the *Romans*; *Tiberius* dedicated a Temple to Her at *Rome*, which he built by the Order of his Mother *Livia*: There is the Figure of *Concord* on the Coin or Medals

Medals of this Emperor, holding up a Cup with one Hand, and a *Cor-nucopia* or Horn of Plenty in the other, to shew that plenty of all things attends a State where the People live in a good Correspondence and Concord: She is also represented by two Images holding one another by the Right-hand; on the Medal of *Mark Anthony*, we see *Concord*, over the Emblem of two Serpents tyed below, and rising up in the form of a Grove to compass an Altar, on which lies the Head of *Augustus*, to represent the Agreement of the Triumvirate; and on the Medals of *Augustus Caesar*, *Concord* holds the Horn of Plenty in one Hand, and with the other, she presents some Fruits to *Lepidus*, *Antony*, and young *Caesar*, Triumvirs, with this Motto, *Salus humani generis*: The Crow was particularly Consecrated to this supposed Deity, and *Aelian* tells us, it was the Custom among the Ancient Romans, when they Married, to call upon the Crow; that is to say, the concord that should be between married People; and *Policianus* in his Miscellaneous Works, confirms this Opinion, and tells us, That he had a Medal of the young Princess *Faustina*, *Marcus Aurelius* his Daughter, on the reverse whereof, was represented a Crow, with the word *Concordia*.

CONFALON, a Confraternity of Seculars in the Church of Rome, called Penitents, Established first of all by some Roman Citizens: *Henry III.* began one at *Paris* in 1583, and assisted himself in the Habit of a Penitent, at a Procession, wherein the Cardinal of *Guise* carried the Cross, and his Brother, the Duke of *Mayenne*, was Master of the Ceremonies.

CONFESSION of *Ausburg*, or the *Augustin* Confession, a profession of the Christian Faith, drawn up by *Melancthon*, which *Martin Luther* and he presented to the Emperor, *Charles V.* at *Ausburg* in 1530. It was divided into two Parts, with a design to support all the Points of a *Lutheran* Reformation, and to shew the Unorthodoxy of the Church of *Rome*: The First Part contained twenty one Articles; the First Article acknowledged and agreed to all the Decisions of the First four general Councils, concerning the Blessed Trinity. The Second owned Original Sin, but differed in some things from the Church of *Rome*, in the Definition of it, affirming it to consist wholly in Concupiscence. The Third contain'd the Substance of the Apostles Creed. The Fourth declared against the *Pelagians*; That a Man could not be justified by the meer force and energy of Nature, but, withal, maintaining against the Romish Church, That Justification was the effect of Faith exclusive of good Works. The Fifth agreed with the Church of *Rome*, that the Word of God and the Sacrament were the means of conveying the Holy Spirit, but differed from that Communion, by asserting, This Divine Operation was never present without Faith. The Sixth affirmed, That our Faith ought to produce good Works, purely in obedience unto God, but not in order to the meriting our own Justification. The Seventh, made the True Church consist of none but the Godly. The Eighth acknowledged the validity of the Sacrament, tho' administered by Hypocrites and ill People. The Ninth declared the Necessity of Infant Baptism, against

gainst the Anabaptists. The Tenth acknowledged the Presence of the Body and Blood of Christ, under the Consecrated Elements; adding withal, that this mysterious Presence in the Holy Sacrament, continued with the Elements only during the time of receiving, and that the Eucharist ought to be administered in both kinds: The Eleventh granted the necessity of Absolution to the Penitent, but denied themselves obliged to make a particular Confession of their Sins to a Priest: The Twelfth condemned the Anabaptists, who affirmed, that whoever was once justify'd, could not fall away from Grace, together with the *Novatians*, who refused Absolution to sins committed after Baptism, asserting withal against the Church of *Rome*, that a repenting Sinner was incapable of meriting Forgiveness, by performing any acts of Penance. The Thirteenth required actual Faith from those who participated of the Sacraments. The Fourteenth forbade those who had no lawful Calling, to teach publicly in the Church, or administer the Sacraments. The Fifteenth ordered the Observation of the Holy days, and Ceremonies of the Church. The Sixteenth acknowledged the Obligation of Civil Laws, approved the Magistracy, Property of Estates, and Marriage. The Seventeenth acknowledged the Resurrection, the last Judgment, Heaven and Hell, and condemned the two following Errors of the Anabaptists, and Fifth-Monarchy-men, *viz.* That the Punishment of the Devils and Damned would have an end, and that a Thousand Years before the Resurrection, the Saints should reign with Christ up-

on Earth. The Eighteenth declared, That our Wills was not sufficiently free, in Actions relating to the promoting of Salvation. The Nineteenth maintains, That notwithstanding God has created Man, and still continues to preserve him, yet he neither is, nor can be the Author of Sin. The Twentieth, That Good Works are not altogether unprofitable, and the 21st forbids the Invocation of Saints; the Second Part of the Augustan Confession is altogether opposite to the Church of *Rome*, containing the Seven Principal Abuses, upon which the Lutherans founded the necessity of leaving the Communion of that Church. The First Argument enjoins Communion in both kinds, and forbids the Procession of the Holy Sacrament: The Second condemns the Celibacy of Priests; private Masses are abolished by the Third, and some part, at least, of the Congregation were obliged to Communicate with the Priest; the Fourth declared against the Necessity of being particular in Confession of sins to a Priest; the Fifth refused to admit Tradition; the Sixth disapproved of monastic Vows; and lastly, by the Seventh, they asserted, That the Power of the Church consisted only in Preaching the Gospel, and Administering the Sacraments.

This Confession of Faith was signed by the Elector of *Saxony*, and his Eldest Son; by the Marquis of *Brandenburgh*; by *Ernest* and *Francis*, Dukes of the House of *Lunenburgh*; by the Landgrave of *Hesse*, the Prince of *Hainault*, and the Republicks of *Nuremberg* and *Rutlinga*; the four Imperial Towns of *Strasburg*, *Constance*, *Nemeguen*, and *Linden*, presented a Confessi-

on of Faith at the same time, which was the same with the *Augustan* or *Lutheran*, saving in the point of the Eucharist, wherein they followed the Opinion of *Zwinglius*, asserting only in the Sacrament, the Figure or Sign of the Body and Blood of our Saviour: This Confession was presented by the Elector of *Saxony*, together with the Princes and States before mentioned, to the same Emperor *Charles V.* before whom it was afterwards argued; and the *Romanists* being a Majority upon the Votes, was rejected; however the Emperor ordered a Conference between seven Deputies on each side, consisting of two Princes, three Divines and two Lawyers; they met *August 16. 1530.* and *Martin Luther* being absent, the excellent *Melancton* was the Head of that Party, who by his softening Explications, brought both Parties, next day, to an Agreement to fifteen of the twenty one Articles; for not to mention the Agreement of the Lutherans with the Church of *Rome*, in Points relating to the Holy Trinity, they declared in their second Article, That Original sin was remitted in Baptism, tho' Concupiscence the effect of it, was still remaining; in the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth, the Lutherans in that Conference, acknowledged that it was not Faith alone, but Faith and sanctifying Grace by which we were justified; in the Seventh and Eighth, they agreed that the Church consisted of Sinners as well as of Just Persons; and in the Seventeenth, that we had the Faculty of Free-will, but that we could do nothing in the way of Salvation, without the Grace and supernatural assistance of God: The Three following Articles were agreed to but in part:

For as to the Twelfth, the Protestants were willing to admit Satisfaction, as a part of Penance, in order to the performance of Christian Obedience, but not necessary for the remission of the Punishment due to our Sins. For the Twentieth, they consented to the necessity of good Works, but declared against the Merits of them; and as to the 21st. they owned the Saints and Angels interceded for us, and were willing to honour their Festivals and Memory, but refused to come up to the practice of Invocation; three other Articles, that is, the Eleventh, Fourteenth and Fifteenth, relating to that which the Church of *Rome* calls Sacramental Confession, to Orders, and to the Ceremonies and Uses of the Church, were reserved with the Seven Articles of the Second Part, for further Examination, but as to these last Points they could never fully agree in any one Article; at last they resolved to retrench the number of the Deputies to three of a side, viz. Two Canonists and one Divine; the Divines were *Eckius* for the Church of *Rome*, and *Melancton* for the Lutherans, but this Conference broke off without adjusting the Differences between them.

CONFUCIUS, a famous *Chinese* Philosopher, born 551, before our Saviour's Birth, who divided his Doctrine into four Parts, and his Scholars, or Followers into so many Classes; the first Order was of those who studied to acquire Virtue; the second, that learned the Art of Reasoning well, and Eloquence; the third respected Government; and the fourth was wholly taken up in Noble Discourses of all that concerned Morals: He openly declar'd, he was

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not the Inventor of this Doctrine, that he only collected it out of his Predecessors Writings, and used to say, there was a very Holy Man in the Western Lands, that he was called, by some *Zeuxingim*, but said no more of him. In the Year 66, after the Incarnation of our Blessed Saviour, the Emperor *Thinti* sent Ambassadors towards the *West*, to seek this Holy Man, but they stopped in an Island near the *Red Sea*, to consider a famous Idol named *Fe*, representing a Philosopher that lived 500 years before *Confucius*; this Idol they carried back along with them, with Instructions concerning the Worship paid to it, and so introduced a Superstition, that in several things abolish'd the Maxims of *Confucius*, who always condemned Atheism and Idolatry: Its said, that this great Man foreseeing his End, and considering the Disorders of the Court, sitting, sang some Lines to this purpose, *Great Mountain, where art thou fallen? the vast Machine is overthrown, the Wise and Virtuous have failed.* This Philosopher has been in great Veneration in *China* above two Thousand Years, and is still so esteemed, that none can come to the quality of a *Mandarin*, or to an Office or Charge of the Gown, without passing Doctor in his Doctrine; each Town has a Palace Consecrated to his Memory, and when any Officers of the Robe or long Gown pass before them, they quit their Palanquin, and go some way on foot, to shew the Honour they have for his Memory: The Frontispiece of these Buildings have his great Titles in Golden Characters, thus, *To the Great Master, the Famous, the Wise King of Learning;*

and in all these Praises, they never make use of the Word *Tun*, proper to Idols; by which they knew that *Confucius's* Doctrine Condemned Idolatry; the Popish Missionaries take care to learn his Doctrine, and make use of his Authority to gain Credit among the *Chineses*, and to dispose them for the light of the Faith; his Principles are most of them very reasonable, and the Learned of the Country will not as much as hear any that despise his Tenets.

CONGREGATION of the Rites: A Jurisdiction of *Rome*, composed of Cardinals, deputed by the Pope, to observe the Ceremonies of the Church, oversee the Divine Service that concerns the Canonisation of Saints, the privilege of Precedence, &c. This Congregation is held, at least, once a Month, in the Palace of the Cardinal Dean.

CONGREGATION of the Holy Office; A Jurisdiction of *Rome* composed of Twelve Cardinals and several Prelates, who are styl'd Consultors: It takes Cognizance of the Matters relating to the Inquisition, what concerns Heresie, and hath its Pallace Officers and Prisons. This Congregation generally meets on *Wednesdays*, at the Pallace of the eminentest Cardinal, and on *Thursday* before the Pope.

CONISALUS, a Heathen Deity, adored by the *Athenians* in the same manner, the *Lampsacians* worshipped *Priapus*, several are of Opinion that both were the same Deity, adored only in different places.

CONSECRATION, a Consecration of the *Roman* Emperors by the Senate and People after they were dead: This being a Deification and Ceremony of Religion among those Heathens must not be omitted

omitted in this place: The Emperor being dead, the whole City sad and mournful, complained of her loss. Then they set a Waxen Statue of the dead Emperor upon a Bed of State, at the entry of the Imperial Pallace: The Senators were placed on the left hand in Mourning Habits, and on the right stood the *Roman Ladies* drest in White, keeping all a sad and mournful silence for seven days together, during which the Physicians came from time to time to feel the Pulse of the Patient; saying that his illness was worse and worse. When the Seventh day was expired, they published his death, and all things being in a readiness for his obsequies, the Chief among the Knights and Senators carry'd the Bed upon their shoulders along the Holy Street, as far as the Old Market-place (where Magistrates used to resign their Offices) attended with mournful Songs and the sound of Instruments; then they carryed him out of the Town into the Field of *Mars*, where stood a Funeral pile, erected and prepared with sweet perfumes: The outside of the pile was adorned with Joyners work, and with Stuffs embroidered with Gold, and Ivory Statues, and Pictures. This sumptuous Monument was divided into three Stories, and the Corps was laid in the middle one. Then they began Horse Racing and the fighting of the Gladiators in honour of the dead, and after the Games were over the Successor to the Empire holding a burning Torch in his Hand, set the Funeral pile on fire, and immediately after an Eagle was seen flying up from the top of it, in the middle of the Fire and Smoak: This Eagle, they supposed

carried away the Soul of the Dead into the company of the Immortal Gods (as they thought) and then they presently worshipped him, erected Altars to his honour, and ordained Priests and Sacrifices for him at *Rome*, and the other Cities of the Empire.

CONSECRATION of the Pontifex, or *Roman Heathen Pontiff*, performed in the following manner; they let him down into a hole, drest in his Priestly Habit, and covered the hole with a Plank bored thro' in many places, then the Victimary or Bucher Priest and other Priests attending the Sacrifices, brought a Bull upon the Plank adorned with Garlands, and Flowers, and having thrust the Knife into his Throat, his Blood was shed, poured upon the Plank, and dropt down through the Holes of it, upon the Pontiff, who rubbed his Nose, Ears, Eyes, and Tongue it self with it; after which Ceremony, they took him out of the hole all over Bloody, and saluted him with these Words, *Salve Pontifex maxime*, and having changed his Cloaths, conducted him to his House, where there was a great Feast ready prepared for them.

CONSENTES, Lat. *Dii Consentes*, certain Deities according to the Superstition of the Heathen *Romans*, who composed the Council of State of Heaven, their Names being derived from the ancient Verb *Conso*, which signified to Council or Consult, whence came the Name of the God *Consus*: tho' others call'd them *Consentes* for *Contentes*, because they had the privilege of giving their consent to the Coelestial Deliberations: there were Twelve of these Deities, six Gods and as many Goddesses, with their Statues gilt, and put up in the

the great Square of Rome: The Gods were *Jupiter*, *Neptune*, *Apollo*, *Mars*, *Mercury*, *Vulcan*; and the Goddesses, *Juno*, *Minerva*, *Venus*, *Diana*, *Ceres* and *Vesta*, and each presided over its Month; as *Minerva* over March; *Venus*, April; *Apollo*, May; *Mercury*, June; *Jupiter*, July; *Ceres*, August; *Vulcan*, September; *Mars*, October; *Diana*, November; *Vesta*, December; *Juno*, January; and *Neptune*, February. *Manilius*, in his Second Book of Astronomy, gives to each Constellation of the Zodiac, the Deity that presides its Month, to regulate its Motions, and dispence its Influences, Viz. *Minerva* to *Aries*, *Venus* to *Taurus*, *Apollo* to *Gemini*, &c, There were also Twelve Deities which the Antients looked upon, to have a particular care of the Necessaries of a peaceful and happy Life. *Jupiter* and the *Earth* were reckoned as the Producers of all that serves our Use: The *Sun* and *Moon* as having the management of Time, *Ceres* and *Bicchus*, as the Furnishers of Meat and Drink; *Robigo* and *Flora*, as the Preservers of Fruits and Flowers; *Minerva* and *Mercury*, as the Masters of Arts and Sciences, that improve the Understanding, and of Commerce that increases Riches; and finally, *Venus* and *Success*, as the Authors of our Joys and Happiness, by the gift of a good Offspring, and the Accomplishment of our Wishes; the *Grecians* to these Twelve, added *Alexander* the Great, as the God of Conquests, but this last was not owned by the *Romans*, who carried the other Twelve out of *Greece* into *Italy*, where they were adored in a Temple Consecrated to the Twelve together at *Pisa*.

CONSUALIA, certain Heathen

Festivals instituted at Rome by *Romulus*, according to *Livy* when he stole the *Sabine* Virgins, for he had found an Altar under Ground, says *Plutarch*, dedicated to God *Consus*, or the God of Council; and this Altar was always kept covered till the Feast of *Consualia*, when they had Horse-races in *Neptune's* Honour.

CONSUS, a Heathen Deity of the Antient *Romans*, whom they believed to be the God of Council; they built him an Altar under Ground, and called it also, *Neptunus Æquestris*, in whose Honour they celebrated Plays in the Month of *March*, which they called *Consuales*, and were like those of the *Circus*: It was during this Feast, that *Romulus* and his Companions carried off the *Sabine* Virgins.

COPHTES, or *Cyptes*; Christians of *Egypt*, who follow the Errors of *Eutyches* and *Dioscorus*, they are subject to a Patriarch, who assumes the Title of Patriarch of *Constantinople*, and resides within the Monastery of *St. Macarius*, Twenty Leagues beyond *Grand Cairo*; they have many Monasteries in *Egypt*, and one particularly in the House whither *Joseph* and the Virgin *Mary*, with our Saviour, retired from the Persecution of *Herod*; and at *Jerusalem* they have an Apartment in that great Church of *St. Sepulchre*, allotted for their Use, to be better informed of the Belief and Custom of the *Cophytes*.

CORBAN, this Word which the *Arabians* have borrowed from the *Jews*, signifies a Sacrifice, and thus they call all the Sacrifices offered unto God by the Patriarchs; and the *Mahometans* more particularly, call their Day of Sacrifice

Faun al Corban, being the Tenth of the last Month of the Year, and *Dhulhegiat*, on which they solemnly Sacrifice the Victim, which they call *Dhabiat* at *Mecca*; their Sacrifice consists in a great number of Sheep.

CORONIS, was a Heathen Goddess, worshipped in *Sicyonia*, according to *Pausanias*; she had no Temple erected for her, but they offered Sacrifices to her in the Temple of *Pallas*.

CORYBANTES, certain Priests of *Cybele*, the supposed Mother of the Heathen Deities, who, moved with a Fury, they called Divine, celebrated their Feasts in Drum-beating, dancing, leaping, and running on every side like mad Folks.

COTTITE or *Cotytte*, Goddess of Impudence and Immodesty, among the Heathen *Athenians*, to whom the People celebrated Feasts in the Night time, dancing, &c. *Probus* thinks she was a Comedian, and that these People were others of the same Profession.

COUNCIL: This Name, in respect to Ecclesiastical Matters, taken in general, signifies an Assembly of Church-men, or Prelates, that confer and decide what belongs to Religion and Ecclesiastical Discipline: A Council is called a general one, when all the Bishops of Christendom meet, if there is no lawful Excuse for absence; this is also called *Oecumenick*, from the Greek *ἐκκλήσιον*, which signifies the habitable Earth; a National, is the convening of the Prelates of a Kingdom or Province, under a Patriarch or Primate: A Provincial is held by the Bishop of that Diocese, under a Metropolitan: The Word Synod, which in Greek and Latin, signi-

fies a Council, is left to the Assemblies of the Priests of a Diocese, under the Authority of their Bishop: The *Romanists* count Eighteen, but the Protestants allow but of six general Councils. There were two held at *Nice*, four at *Constantinople*, one at *Ephesus*, one at *Chalcedon*, five in the *Lateran* at *Rome*, two at *Lyons*, one at *Vienne*, one at *Florence*, and one at *Trent*: The 1st at *Nice*, a Town of *Bithynia*, in *Asia minor*, was held in 325, under Pope *Silvester*, in *Constantine the Great's* time, against the *Arrians*, who denyed the Divinity of Jesus Christ. The 2d being the first at *Constantinople*, was held in 381, under Pope *Damasus*, in the Reign of the Emperor *Theodosius*, against the *Macedonians*, who denyed the Divinity of the Holy Ghost. The Third Council was celebrated at *Ephesus*, under Pope *Celestine*, in the Reign of *Theodosius the Younger*, against the *Nestorians*, that distinguished two Persons in Jesus Christ in 431. 4. That of *Chalcedon* was held in 451. under Pope *Leo*, in the Emperor *Marcian's* time, against *Eutyches* and *Dioscorus*, who confounded the Human and Divine Nature in Jesus Christ. 5. Was the second of *Constantinople*, held in 553, under Pope *Vigilius*, in the Reign of the Emperor *Justinian*, against the Errors of the *Origenists*. 6. The third of *Constantinople*, under Pope *Agatho*, in 680, in the Reign of *Constantine Pogonatus*, against the *Monothelites*, who allowed of but one Will in our Saviour. 7. The second of *Nice* in 787, as the *Roman Catholics* count it, under Pope *Adrian*, in the Empress *Irene*, and her Son *Constantine's* time, against the *Iconoclastes* or the Image-breakers. 8. The

8. The fourth of *Constantinople*, in 869, under Pope *Adrian II.* in the Reign of the Emperor *Basilus*, against *Photius*. 9. The first of *Lateran* at *Rome*, in 1122, under Pope *Calixtus II.* in the Reign of the Emperor *Henry V.* for the recovery of the *Holy Land*. 10. The second of *Lateran* in 1139, under Pope *Innocent II.* in the Reign of the Emperor *Conradus*, against the Anti-pope, *Peter of Leon*, and for the Preservation of the Churches Possessions. 11. The third *Lateran* held in 1179, under Pope *Alexander III.* in the time of the Emperor *Frederick*, against the *Albigenses*. 12. The fourth in the *Lateran*, in 1215, under Pope *Innocent III.* in the Reign of the Emperor *Otho*, against the same *Albigenses*, &c. 13. The first of *Lyons* in 1215 under *Innocent IV.* against the Emperor *Frederick II.* who made War against the Pope, and detained some part of the Church's Patrimony, as they would have it. 14. The second of *Lyons*, in 1274, under *Gregory X.* in the Emperor *Rodolphus's* Reign. 15. That of *Vienna* 1311. under Pope *Clement V.* in the Emperor *Henry the VIIIth's* Reign, against the *Templars* and the *Beguars*, &c. 16. Of *Florence* in 1439, under Pope *Eugenius IV.* for the Re-union of the *Greek* and *Roman Church*. 17. The Fifth Council of *Lateran* in 1517, under *Julius II.* and *Leo X.* for the Abolition of the *Pragmatick Sanction*. 18. That of *Trent* held from 1545 to 1563, under *Paul III.*, *Julius III.* and *Pius IV.*

CRODA, a false Deity of the Ancient *Saxons*, more particularly worshipped in the Town of *Atemburg*, where it was represented in the shape of a Mad-man, standing upon a Fish, which they called a

Perch, holding a Wheel in one Hand, and an Urn in the other; Several are of opinion, and may perhaps be in the right too, that this was the Idol of *Saturn*; for, besides, that the Word *Crodo* sounds somewhat like the *Greek* *Κρόνος*, which signifies *Saturn*; the other Circumstances of the *Saxon* God-head, agree very well with the God of Time, for there is nothing older in the World, at least, than Time represented by an Old Man; the Fish and Wheel denoted its Inconstancy, and the Urn the Plenty it produced.

CROISADE, a Name given to the Christian Expeditions against the Infidels, for the recovery of the *Holy Land* out of their Hands, because they who engaged themselves in the Undertaking, wore a Cross on their Cloaths, and had one in their Standards: There were Eight in all, of which it will not be improper to give a short History in this place. The First in 1096, at the Solicitation of the *Greek* Emperor, and Patriarch of *Jerusalem*. *Peter* the Hermit, who was the Preacher of this *Crusade*, was made General of a great Army, a thing that did not very well agree with his Profession, being a Priest; and all the Princes, *Hugh*, the Great, Count of *Vermendois*, Brother to *Philip I.* King of *France*; *Robert*, Duke of *Normandy*; *Robert*, Count of *Flanders*; *Raymond*, Count of *Tholouse* and *St. Giles*; *Godfrey* of *Bouillon*, Duke of *Lorain*, with his Brothers, *Balwin* and *Eustace*; *Stephen*, Count of *Chartres* and *Blois*; *Hugh*, Count of *St. Paul*, with a great number of other Lords, took different ways to meet at *Constantinople*; the first who marched his Troops was the famous *Godfrey* of *Bouillon*, who had a greater

share than any of the rest in this Undertaking, tho' not the command of the whole Army; he set forward *August 15. 1096*, with 10000 Horse and 70000 Foot, and before the other Princes were come to *Constantinople*; passing the *Helapont*, besieged *Nice*, which, notwithstanding the double dealing of the Greek Emperor *Alexis*, after six Weeks siege, was surrendered to him, after which, they victoriously entered *Syria*, and took *Antioch*: *Jerusalem* was taken in 1099, and *Godfrey of Bouillon* chosen King; a little after which, the Christians gained the famous Battle of *Ascalon* against the Sultan of *Egypt*; which Victory put an end to the first *Croisade*, for the Princes and Lords, with those that followed them, believing they had fully accomplished the Vow they had made, took their leave of *Godfrey*, and returned to their respective Countries.

The second *Croisade* was in 1144. after the taking of the Town of *Edissa* from the Christians, by *Sanguin* a Turkish Prince; and this was headed by the Emperor *Conrad III.* and *Lewis VII.* of *France*; the Emperor's Army was either destroy'd by the Enemy, or perished through the Treachery of *Maurice* the Greek Emperor, and his Brother-in-law; and the second Army, thro' the Unfaithfulness and Treachery of the Christians of *Syria*, were forced to quit the Siege of *Damascus*.

The third *Croisade* was in 1188, after the taking of *Jerusalem*, by *Saladine*, Sultan of *Egypt*; the chief of which were the Emperor *Frederick Barbarossa*; *Frederick*, Duke of *Swabia*, his second Son; *Leopold*, Duke of *Austria*; *Berthold*, Duke of *Moravia*; *Herman*, Mar-

quess of *Baden*; the Counts of *Nassau*, *Thuringen*, *Missen* and *Holland*, and above Sixty more of the Chief Princes of the Empire, with diverse Bishops: The Emperor, in spite of him of *Constantinople*, having got into *Asia Minor*, defeated the Sultan of *Iconium*, but drawing near to *Syria*, sickned and died in 1190, however his Son *Frederick* led that Army to *Antioch*, and joining with *Guy*, King of *Jerusalem*, in the Siege of *Ptolemais*, but failing of Success, he dyed soon after, which proved the Ruin of his Army: However, *Richard*, King of *England*, and *Philip the August* King of *France*, arriving, some Months after in the *Holy Land*, with a great Force, brought *Ptolemais* to surrender, *July 12. 1191*. After which, *Philip* returned Home in Discontent, while, the Brave King *Richard* concluded a Peace with *Saladine*, upon these Conditions; That all the Coasts from *Joppa* to *Tyre*, should be left to the Christians, and that *Saladine* should have all the rest of *Palestine*, except *Ascalon*, which was to be his, which, at the Expiration of the Truce, that could get it; and that, during the Truce, which was to last Three Years, Three Months, Three Weeks, and Three Days, it should be lawful for the Christians to go to *Jerusalem* in small Companies, to pay their Devotion there.

The Fourth was undertaken in 1195, by the Emperor *Henry VI.* after *Saladine's* death; his Army went for the *Holy Land*, three several ways, and he himself, at length, arriving at *Ptolemais*, the Christians gain'd several Battels against the Infidels, took a good many Towns, but the ill News of the

the Emperor's death made them hasten home.

The fifth *Croisade* was published by the Artifice of Pope Innocent III. in 1198, but the most part of this amused themselves, to take *Zara* for the *Venetians*, and afterwards to make War against the *Greek Emperor*; they that went forward to *Palestine*, made but successless Efforts to recover the *Holy Land*.

The sixth *Croisade* took the Town of *Damiata*, but were forced to surrender it again: The Emperor *Frederick*, in 1228, went to the *Holy Land*, and next Year, made a Peace with the Sultan for 10 Years, upon these Conditions, That the Sultan should deliver to the Christians, the Towns of *Jerusalem*, *Bethlehem*, *Nazareth*, *Thoron* and *Sidon*, but the Temple of *Jerusalem* should be left to the *Saracens*, to perform the free exercise of their Law; after which, the Emperor returned home: About 1240, *Richard*, Earl of *Cornwall*, and Brother to *Henry III.* King of *England*, arrived in *Palestine*, with a good *English Croisade*, who seeing it impossible to have any success while the *Templars* and *Hospitallers* continued their Jars and private Animosities, he with this Advice of the Duke of *Burgundy*, the great Master of the *Hospitallers*, and choicest of the *Croisade*, accepted of the advantageous Conditions the *Soldan* offered, whereby the Christians were to enjoy some Lands in *Palestine*, then in the *Soldan's* possession. In 1244, the *Corasmins*, the Descendants of the Ancient *Parthians*, fell upon the Christians in *Palestine*, and, as it were, totally rooted them out.

The seventh *Croisade* was led by

St. Lewis, King of *France*, who appeared before *Damiata*, after the Feast of *Whitsontide*, in 1249, he took it, but after some Battels, his Army was at last defeated, and himself taken Prisoner; after which a Truce was concluded for ten Years, and the Christians were to keep what they were in possession of, except *Damiata*, which was to be delivered to the *Soldan* for the King's Ransom, with a great Sum of Money: This done, the King sailed for *Syria*, and having put *Acre* and other Sea-Ports in a good condition, returned home in 1254.

The same Prince put himself at the head of the eighth *Croisade* in 1270, and laying siege to *Tunis* without success, dyed there, but his Son, *Philip the Bold*, and *Charles*, King of *Sicily*, prosecuting the Advantage, brought the King of *Tunis* to agree to a Truce for ten Years, upon Condition that he should set all the Slaves of his Kingdom at liberty; that he should give the *Dominican* and *Franciscan Fryars* leave to preach the Gospel in his Territories, and build Monasteries, and Baptize all those that should desire it, besides a Sum of Money to be paid *Centies* Yearly: About this time, Prince *Edward* of *England*, with a small Force, went to *Ptolemais*, and being able to perform no great matter there, saving that by this Relief he hinder'd *Bondictar* from laying Siege to that place, upon the death of his Father, he returned. In 1291, *Ptolemais* was taken and plundered by the *Soldan* of *Egypt* and the Christians dispossessed of all *Syria*; since which time, there has been no *Croisade*, tho' the Popes, for their own ends, have often endeavoured, and pressed

the Christian Princes to such an Undertaking.

CUNINA, a Goddess, who according to the Ancient Pagans, had care of Young Children in their Cradles, in Latin called *Cunæ*; they did not use Wine, but Milk in the Sacrifices they offered to this false Deity.

CUPID, a Heathen Deity, which they thought did preside over Love: *Plato* admitted two sorts of Love, one the Son of *Venus Urania*, or *Cælestial*, and the other of the Terrestrial *Venus*, engendred, as Poets feign, of the Froth of the Sea: Both were represented under the same form of a beautiful Child, quite naked and winged, with a Veil over his Eyes, a Bow in his Hand, a lighted Torch in the other, and a Quiver of Arrows hanging at his side. Love, the Son of the first *Venus*, being a Gift from above, unites Hearts, makes Peace, inclines to mildness, and renders Hearts perfectly happy: *Zeno* calls it the God of Friendship and Liberty, of Peace and Concord, of Happiness and Consolation, and of Science and Virtue: He is represented in the form of a Child, to shew, as Childhood is the first Age of Life, Love is the first step in all grand Affairs; he is naked, to intimate, that he needs borrow nothing, having strength enough to carry on its Designs; the Veil over his Eyes, denotes that he himself is the Source of all his Inventions: The Torch, that he lights and instructs others; and the Arrows are the Signs of the invincible Eloquence wherewith he toucheth the Heart, and charms and attracts it: Love, the Son of the other *Venus*, is naked, to shew that he has lavished his Substance, and is become the

true Son of Indigence and Indiscretion; he is represented as a Child, because void of Reason and Judgment; painted Blind, to intimate his pre-Occupation and ignorance of his beloved Object; his Wings express his Inconstancy; and his Torch, that he is a publick Incendiary; his Arrows, that he is the Source of all the Passions that tyrannize over the same.

CURBICUS, the right Name of the Heresiarch *Manes*, when he was a Slave. See *Manes*.

CURCHUS, a false Deity of the Ancient Inhabitants of *Prussia*, who believed he presided over eating and drinking; wherefore in making their Harvest, they offered their first Fruits to it. They also kept a continual Fire in Honour of it, and built it a new Statue every Year, breaking their former.

CUREOTIS; in *Greek*, properly signifies Tonsure or shaving, and was the third Day of the *Apaturia*, being certain Festivals kept for four Days together, by the *Athenians*: The Fathers, on these Days, carried their Children to be shaved, and then to be registred into the Tribes of the People, for they preserved their Hair to a certain Age, in Honour of a certain Deity, and when they came to the set number of Years, that they were to cut it off, the Ceremony was performed in that God's Temple, to which they had Consecrated it, which was generally to *Apollo*, tho' there was no Law for this: The meaner People of *Athens* consecrated their Hair to *Hercules*, and great Men to *Apollo Pythius*, for which Reason they went to *Delphos*.

CURIAE; the Ancient *Romans* were divided into Ten Tribes, and each

each of them into *Curie* or Parishes, every one of whom had his *Curio* or Curate, who was maintained with the Offerings and Tythes that each Inhabitant paid him, or else by some contribution of Money; the Sacrifices of the *Curie* were called *Curionia* & *Curialia Sacra*, like the Parochial Masses of the Church of Rome, where every particular Man of the *Curie* was bound to be present; wherefore *Romulus* and *Numa* had assigned Funds to bear the Charges of these Services, and maintain the Feastings made after the sacrificing was over, which were called *Agapæ*.

CURIO: Among the Heathen *Romans* was the Priest of each *Curie* or Parish, to which, the Popish Curates, at this time, have a great Analogy, for the Name agrees with them, either taken from *Curia* or *Cura*; their Office is alike, for the Curates are subordinate to the first Curate, viz. the Bishop, and receive Orders from him concerning what Rites and Ceremonies are to be observed, either in the administering of the Sacraments, or the rest of Divine Service, and the Festivals that are to be kept: In like manner, the *Curio's* instituted by *Romulus*, were subject to the *Curio* called *Curio maximus*, who gave them directions about the Feasts of each Month, the Ceremonies of the Sacrifices, and several other things contained in the Ritual or Formularies they had made concerning them. After the *Curio's* death, the *Curie* chose themselves their *Curio*, as it was granted them by *Romulus*, and then presented him to the great *Curio* to be Confirmed by him: The Christian Churches anciently chose their *Curio* much after the same manner.

CYBELE, generally called the Mother and Grand-mother of the Gods by the Pagans; was, by the Ancients, thought to be *Saturn's* Wife. She also had the Name of *Ops*, *Rhea*, *Dindymene*, *Berecynthia*, *Good-Goddes*, &c. They represented her crowned with Laurels, with a Key in her Hand, and clad in flowered Stuff, placed upon a Chair drawn by four *Lions*; the Pine-tree was Consecrated to her, after *Atis*, whom she loved so well, was metamorphos'd to it: Her Priests were Eunuchs, and they as well as their Sacrifices are laughed at by *Tertullian* in his *Apologetick*, and well they might, for *Strabo* tells us, the fury of the Priests at them was very great, and they not only made a great Noise and Tumult, but cut their Bodies with Knives, so that these Sacrifices were like those performed by the Priests of *Baal*, related in the Book of Kings; nay, *Pliny* informs us, that these Priests used to cut off the Mark of their Sex, with a Knife made of medicinal Earth found in the Isle of *Samos*, and that they ran in no danger of their Lives, when they made use of those sort of Knives: The Pagan Divinity which usually conceals some natural Truth in its fabulous Mysteries, teaches us, that this Goddess called *Cybele*, either from the Mountain of this Name, whereon she was sacrificed to, or from the word *Cube*, was the Earth which produces all things, and it was for this Reason, she was called the great Mother: Her Crown of Laurel and Lilies, represented what the Earth was covered with, the Key that she had in her Hand, denoted that she locked in all her fruitfulness during Winter, which in the Spring began to appear, and

then it was said the Earth opened. That painted or flowered Garment could become nothing so well as the Earth, which is variegated with all kinds of Flowers; the four Beasts that drew the Chariot, marked the four Seasons of the Year, wherein the Earth appeared so differently; some took them for the four qualities of the Earth, the four Elements, four Cardinal Winds; and if the Ancients had known the four parts of the World, they might have been compared to them. In short, *Saturn*, which signifies Time, was believed to be the Earth's Husband, to shew that must have time to bring forth its Productions.

CYNOCEPHALUS, a false Deity of the *Egyptians*, and otherwise called *Anubis*, adored particularly in a Town of *Egypt* called *Cynopolis*.

CYRENAIQUES, or *Cyreneans*, a sort of Heathen Philosophers, so denominated from their Founder *Aristippus* of *Cyrene*, Disciple of *Socrates*, who lived in the XVth *Olympiad*: I more particularly take notice of them here, because they would have two motions in the Soul, the last of which, they said, was a sweet and gentle one, the first violent and harsh; and held, That all Pleasures were alike: They esteemed Virtue no otherwise than as it conduced to Sensuality, as a Medicine, is only regarded for its usefulness, for the recovery and preservation of Health.

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DACTILIIDÆI, Priests of the Heathen Goddess *Cybele*, reckoned by the Poets to be the Children of *Minerva* and *Sol*, or *Saturn* and

Alciopæ, five of them being Males, and the other five Females; they were called *Dactili*, or *Fingers*, because equal in number to the Fingers of a Man's Hands; they were also called *Corybantes*, which see.

DAGON, an Idol of the *Philistines*, mentioned in the Book of *Kings*, whose upper parts was like the Body of a Man, but from the Belly downwards, the Legs excepted, he was made like a Fish, with Scales, and a long Tail turning up. The Word, in Hebrew, signifies a Fish, yet it must be granted, that *Dagon* may come from *Dagan*, i. e. Wheat, and *Philo*, in *Eusebius*, has rendred the Word *Dagan* by that of *Ζίτω*, *frumentum*, or *frumenti Præses*. Probable he was the same with other Heathen Deities, called *Neptune* or *Triton*, of whom it is said,

*Frons hominem præfert, in piscem
desinit Alvus.*

DAIRO; the Names of the great *Japan* Pontiff, or High-Priest, to whose Family, the Empire of *Japan* did formerly belong, till it was usurped by the Predecessor of the present Emperor, whose Palace is in the City *Fedo*, now the Metropolis of *Japan*, and the *Dairo's* in the City of *Meaco*. The Sanctity attributed to the *Dairo*, by the *Japanese*, is so great, that his Feet must not touch the Earth, nor the Sun shine upon his Head; he is never to be exposed to the Air, nor to have his Hair, Beard, nor Nails cut; his Victuals must always be carried to Table in new Baskets, put upon new Plates: When he goes abroad, it is in a Litter resembling our Coaches, whose Pillars are all of massy Gold, and on the out-side

'tis enriched with Figures of the same Metal; 'tis covered with Silk so fine, that the *Dairo* may see every way, but none see him: He is carried in this Litter by fourteen Gentlemen of the best Quality, and most active in his Court; his Guards march before, and a Coach comes after, drawn by two Horses, whose Housing is all embroidered with Pearls and Diamonds; two Gentlemen hold their Reins, while two more march by the side, one with a Fan, which he moves continually, to cool the Air, and the other with an Umbrella, to keep off the Sun; this fine Coach is for the Wife of the *Dairo* and his Concubines too, which it seems he keeps for all his Sanctity, and other fine Coaches follow, covered also with a certain Stuff, through which the Ladies see, but are not seen.

DAMIA, the Name of a Heathen Goddess, as also of her Priestess; the Sacrifice which was always offered in private Houses, with Windows and Doors shut, was called *Damium*: No Man, nor Picture of a Male was suffered to be present, nor Woman to reveal what passed; they spent nine Days and Nights in this Festival, magnificently apparalled, danced, sung, and took what liberty they pleased: This *Damia* was said to be the Wife of *Faunus*, and so chaste, that she never saw nor heard any other Man than her Husband.

DAMIANISTES; *Christian Hereticks*, of the sixth Century, who followed the Opinion of the *Acephali*, which see.

DANIEL; the Prophet, to whose History, mentioned in the Holy Scripture, we may here add, That his Prophecies are so clear,

that the Enemies of Christianity alledge, that those concerning the *Messias* were writ after *Christ's* Death, because they could not otherwise avoid the force of them, especially those concerning the Seventy Weeks; at the end of which, the *Messias* was to die. The Ancient Fathers, and most Learned Chronologers, reckon those Weeks from the 20 or 21st Year of the Reign of *Artaxerxes*, called *Longimanus*, they make 490 *Hebrew* Years; and *Christ* being Baptized in the 70th, was Crucify'd the 3d following, which literally verifies the Prophecy, that in the middle of the last Week, the Oblation and Sacrifice should cease; that is, by the Oblation of him whom they typify'd. *Peregrinus* solidly proves this Opinion in his Commentaries on the Ninth of *Daniel*; *Theodoret* says, That *Daniel* seeing that *Cyrus* had delivered the *Jews*, after seven Years Captivity, shewed him his Name and prophesie concerning their Return in *Isaiab*. The Book of the Lives of the Prophets ascribed to *Isidore*, says, *Daniel* dyed at the Age of 110, *Anno Mundi*, 3535.

DARANIANS, an Impious and Heretical Sect among the *Mahometans*, who took their Name and Origin from an Impostor called *Darani*; who being come from *Persia* into *Egypt*, in the Caliphate of *Hakem*, would have perswaded the People that *Hakem* was God, but the People slew him, tho' he was much carested by the *Caliph*: His Successor was one *Hamzah*, who would have himself call'd *Al Hadi*, i. e. the Director: This Person was the Introducer of Debauchery and Licentiousness, and abolished all Works of Piety, as

Fasting

Fasting, Prayer, and Pilgrimage; this Sect prevailed much on the Sea Coast of Syria, and Libanus.

DEA NUNDINA, a Heathen Divinity, supposed to preside on the Ninth Day after the Birth of Children, at which time the Romans were wont to give them a Name.

DECRETALS, the Name given to the Letters of Popes, being an Answer to Questions proposed to them by some Bishop or Ecclesiastical Judge, or even particular Persons, in which they determined Business, as they thought fit. Gregory IX. caused a Collection to be made of the Decretals of diverse Popes, from Anno 1150, That Gratian published his Decretum to 1230; he inserted also some more of former Popes and Fathers, which had escaped Gratian. Clement V. made a new Collection of the Decrees of the General Council of Vienne, and his own Epistles and Constitutions; and last of all, were published the Extravagants of John XXII. under the Name of Clementines, and the common Extravagants.

DEDICATION of a Temple; was performed by the Heathens in the following manner. When a Temple was built, it was to be Dedicated to some Divinity, and the Dedication thereof belonged to some great Magistrate or Consul, Praetor, Censor, Decem-viri, Duum-viri, Vestal Virgins, and the High Priests, in the time of the Commonwealth; or the Emperor's during the Monarchical Government. This Dedication was to be authorized by the Senate and People, according to the Law Papyria, made by Papyrius, Tribune of the People, and the College of the Pontiffs was to give their consent to it.

These things being exactly observed, early in the Morning, the College of the Pontiffs, and other Orders met with a great Crowd of People, and many Persons of Note at the appointed place, and surrounded the Temple with Garlands of Flowers, the Vestal Virgins holding Branches of Olive-Trees in their Hands, sprinkled the out-side of the Temple with Lustral or Holy Water; then the Person who consecrated the Temple, drew near the Gate with a Pontiff on his side, to shew him the Ceremonies, and tell him the Prayers he was to make, holding with one hand the Side-post of the Gate, and then said thus *Ades, Ades*, for Example, *Luculle, dum dedico Templum hic, ut mihi praestis, postemque teneatis*: Then the Pontiff holding the Ceremonial in his Hand, pronounced aloud the Form of the Consecration which the consecrating Person repeated after him, and the Ceremony was expressed by these Words, *Solemnia Verba praunte Pontifice effari*; after which, they Consecrated the Court of the Temple, by sacrificing a Beast, whose Entrails were laid on an Altar of green Turf; then the consecrating Person came into the Temple, with the Pontiff, and took the Statue of the God or Goddess, to whom the Temple was dedicated, and anointed it with Oyl, and laid it on a Pillow rubbed with Oyl. After the Ceremonies were over, the Temple was called *Augustum*, and the Person who Consecrated it, might have had an Inscription, containing his Name, Qualities, and the Year of the Consecration set upon the Temple. Here it will not be impertinent to insert what Tacitus relates concerning the dedication

dedication of the Capitol that was made by *Vespasian's* Order. In clear and serene Weather (says he) they surrounded the Temple with Garlands, and Holy-bands, and made those Soldiers, whose Names were of good Omen, go into the Temple, carrying in their Hands Branches of Fruit-Trees they thought acceptable to their false Gods: The Soldiers were follow'd by the Vestal-Virgins, attended by young Children of both Sexes, whose Parents were still alive, and sprinkled the Place with Spring and River-Water; then the Prætor offered the ordinary Sacrifices of the Purification, and having laid the Entrails of the Victims upon Greens, prayed Jupiter, Juno, Minerva, and the other Gods, Protectors of the Empire, to bless a Work that Men's Piety was consecrating to their Glory: Then immediately he touched the Holy Bands that were tyed to the Rope which held the first Stone, and the Priests and Magistrates, with the whole Senate, the Equestrian Order, and the greatest part of the People, hoised up the Stone in the Air, with loud Acclamations 'till it was laid on its Foundation, where they threw many pieces of Gold and Silver, and Metal, as it came out of the Mine. As for the Consecration of Christian Churches, it's certain, that from the Beginning it was not so; some ascribe the Institution thereof to Pope Clement, others to Felix, who was Pope in the time of the Emperor Aurelian; and some others to Sylvester in Constantine's time; however, 'tis of long standing, and what is usually said by the Romanists, in favour of it is, That it is done in Imitation of the dedication of the Temple of Jerusalem, which God had commanded, and in remembrance of the same, the Isra-

elites kept a Feast every Year, called *Encenia*.

DEISTS; a certain sort of Men who too much abound among all sorts of Christians; who believe that there is one God, Providence, Virtue and Vice, the Immortality of the Soul, and Rewards and Punishments after death; but believes nothing else of the Christian Religion, nor of any other.

DENDROPHORI: See *Collegium Dendrophori*.

DERCETO, a Heathen Goddess of the Assyrians, called *Atergatis*; *Mnaseus* indeed says, she was Queen of Syria, who being extremely fond of Fish, forbade her Subjects to eat them; and upon the score of this severity, being thrown into the Sea, by *Mopsus* a Lydian, was devoured by Fishes; but *Lucian* says, her Daughter *Semiramis* founded a Temple in Honour of her Mother *Derceto*, whose Image he had seen in *Chænicia*, being that of a Woman from the middle upwards, but the lower parts ended in a Fishes Tail.

DERVIS, or *Dervische*, generally signifies a poor Man, in the Persian and Turkish Languages, as well as *Fakir* is in Arabick, and these two do more particularly signify Religious in those Languages; tho' they are rather used to denote religious Mussulmans and Indians; for that of *Kahab* and *Robban* in Arabick, and of *Kaliras* and *Reschische*, more particularly signifies, a religious Christian or Monk; they are properly Mahometan Monks; the Eastern Christians, as also the Mussulmans make the Institution of a Monastick Life, not only as Ancient as *John the Baptist*, or *Elias*, but they mount the same even as high as the Children of

of God ; that is, the Posterity of Seth, who lived so Religious upon the Holy Mountain : But let their Tradition be what it will, the *Turkish* Histories, and other Records make no mention of any Monasteries among them, 'till the Reign of *Orchanes* the second King of the *Turks*, who is famed to have been the first Founder of Houses of these Orders.

The *Dervishes* have their Chief and Superior Foundation in *Iconium*, which consists, at least, of four hundred of them, and governs all the other Convents of that Order, in the *Turkish* Empire, by virtue of *Othoman's* Charter. They pretend to great Patience, Humility, Modesty, Charity, and Silence in their Superiors or others presence ; their Eyes are always fixed downwards, their Heads hanging down to their Breasts, and their Bodies bending forward ; their Shirts were of the coarsest Linnen, with a White Plad or Mantle about their Shoulders, but most of them wear a loose kind of Garment made of Wool at *Iconium*, or in *Natolia*, of a dark Colour ; their Caps are like the Crown of a Hat of the largest size, made of coarse Felt of whitish colour ; their Legs are always bare and Breasts open, which some burn or scar in testimony of their Devotion ; they wear a Leather Girdle, with some shining Stone on the Buckle ; they always carry a string of Beads, called *Tesbe*, and very often run them over. When the Prior dies, they commonly place a Hearse for him in the Chappel, and lay upon it a long string of Beads as big as Walnuts : Besides the *Ramazan*, they keep a weekly Fast every *Tuesday*, and the Superior of the Order, every *Tuesday* and *Friday* makes a Sermon upon some Ver-

ses of the *Alcoran*, or out of the Book writ by the Founder, or other prime Doctor of their Law ; then the *Dervishes* bow themselves round, and some so swiftly, that their Faces can hardly be seen, and all that while a certain Pipe made of a Cane, plays to that motion ; and suddenly, when the Musick ceases, they all stop very exactly and firmly, without any symptoms of disorder : This Custom, they say, they use in imitation of their first Founder *Mevelana*, who, fourteen Days together, and without any sustenance used it himself, 'till at length, falling into an Extravagance, he received strange Revelations and Divine Commands for the Institution of this Order. They very much value the Pipe they play upon, esteeming it for an Ancient sanctify'd sort of Musick, on which *Jacob* and the other holy Shepherds praised God. It hath a doleful melancholy Sound ; tho', after all, the *Turks* themselves argue against this sort of Devotion with Instrumental Musick, because the *Alcoran* forbids it. They profess Poverty, Chastity and Obedience, as the *Franciscans* and the Church of *Rome* do : But if any has not the gift of Continence, he may have the liberty to leave his Convent and marry ; but they observe that none ever thrived that did so.

The *Novices* perform the most servile Offices, and lie two together in a Cell, some of them spend their time in learning to read and write *Turkish*, *Arabick* and *Persian* ; others exercise *Leger-de-main* Tricks, and really apply themselves to Sorceries and Conjurations, by the help of familiar Spirits : This sort of People, of all other,

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other, addict themselves to drink Wine, strong Waters, and other intoxicating Liquors; and they eat vast quantities of Opium; they have Monasteries in the most famous places of the *Turkish* Empire, and there is a famous one in *Egypt*, where they worship for their Saint, a certain *Kederle*, or *Chederles*, who was, as they say, a valiant Knight, who killed Dragons and venomous Beasts, and is still invisibly alive, and gives power to charm Serpents, and to be delivered from Shipwracks; and these *Egyptian Dervishes* have placed their *Kederle's* Horse in Heaven, as well as *Mahomet's* Camel, and the *Seven-sleepers* Dog: These Monasteries serve the travelling Pilgrims of this Order, for Inns and places of Entertainment; for they, above all other Religious *Turks*, journey and travel from one place to another, where the *Mahometan Religion* is professed, under pretence of preaching and propagating their Faith, and thus they travel upon the Charity of their Monasteries, and Alms of others, into *Persia*, *China*, and the Empire of the *Mogul*, whereby they become the best Spies and Intelligencers of any in the *Eastern* parts of the World.

DEVERRA, a she-Divinity, honoured by the Pagans, that they might freely sweep their Houses, from *deverro* to sweep. She was, according to *Varro* and *St. Austin*, one of the three Divinities worshipped by the Ancients, as the Defender of Women brought to Bed, against *Sylvanus*, the God of Forests and Fields, whom they were afraid, would get into the House in the Night time, and do them some Mischief: Those three Deities were *Intercidona*, so named from the Edge of an Ax, *Pilomna*,

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from the Pestle, and *Deverra* from the Brooms. *Intercidona* presided over the loppings of Trees, and *Pilomna* guided the Pestle in bruising Corn and making Meal; this was the Ceremony of their Worship, three Men, in the Night time, went round about the House, striking the Threshold with an Ax, afterwards with a Pestle, and sweeping it at last with a Broom.

DEUS, The Sovereign Being; the Antient Heathens were much divided about the Definition of the Nature of God: *Thales Milesius* said, he was an Intelligence, who had made all things of Water, and was the Principal of all the World: *Anaximander* assured that God was born like the rest of men; but *Anaximines* and *Anaxagoras* had more sublime Thoughts, for, tho' they ascribed an Aery Body to God, yet they acknowledged Him for an Infinite Being, who filled up all imaginary Spaces: *Pliny* tells us, That God is an independent Being, who is All-Spirit and Intelligence, All-Sight, All-Hearing, and gives motion to all Beings, and is moved by none but himself. *Seneca*, speaking of the Poets, who have described *Jupiter* thundring against the Wicked, says, *We must not imagine the Poets thought Jupiter struck Men with Thunderbolts, but, not being able to express better the Punishments that attend Wicked Men, they were obliged to persuade them, That God, under the Name of Jupiter, who sees all things, had always Thunderbolts in his Hand, wherewith to punish their Impieties: And tho' the Ancients left us a ridiculous Genealogy of the Gods, yet many of them did not really believe there was such a multitude of Deities, but they conformed themselves to the superstition: Er-*

ror of the common People, to keep them the better in Awe and Hope, out of respect to so many Gods: *Pliny* ascribes the multiplicity of Gods to the weakness of Humane Understanding, that was not able to apprehend how one only God could govern so many different parts of the World; wherefore Men fancied that there were many Gods, and that each of them had his peculiar Employment and Function in the Government of the World; and when they made Beasts, Metals, and Trees their Gods, the better sort, at least, did not believe they were really Gods, but observed some peculiar Qualifications and Proprieties in them, and for that Reason called them Gods.

DIA; no Author tells us what this Heathen Goddess *Dia* was, so often mention'd in the Inscriptions of the *Arvaux's*; only *Sebastian Fesch* of *Basil* says, That she was the Goddess *Ops*, or *Cybele*, *Saturn's* Wife, the Grandmother of the Gods, who, by way of Eminency, might be called *Dia*, i. e. *Divina*, as the Mother and Queen of other Divinities.

DIANA, *Jupiter's* Daughter by *Latona*; she had commonly three Names, viz. *Hecate* in Hell, *Diana* on Earth, and *Phæbe* or the Moon in Heaven; she was worshipped under the Name of *Juno Lucina* by Women in Labour; and sometimes called *Delia*, from the Isle of *Delos* her Birth-place; she had many Temples, but that of *Ephesus* was the most famous, as we read in the *Acts* of the *Apostles*. She had made a Vow of Virginity, which she carefully kept, and was the Goddess of Hunting, Woods, and Cross-ways; all the Nymphs were her Companions, but when they married they forsook her,

and were obliged to carry Baskets full of Flowers and Fruits into her Temple to pacify her; the *Ides of May* was a Day kept holy in honour of her, and it was not then lawful to Hunt, because they imagined, that that Day she permitted her Hounds, and all things that appertained to her hunting Equipage to rest; every one crowned his Hounds, and they lighted Torches in the Forest, where they offered her an Ox, a Boar, and an Hind in Sacrifice; they presented her still the first Fruits. *Lucian* says, the *Scythians* offered Humane Sacrifices upon her Altar. Besides that at *Ephesus*, she had also a Temple at *Migresia*, another at *Rome* upon Mount *Aventine*, and another in the Isle of *Isarus*, called *Tauropolium*.

DICE, A Heathen Goddess who presided over Courts of Judicature, she was represented as a Virgin, and the Daughter of *Jupiter*, the Sovereign Legislator.

DIET, I shall not here take notice of this Word as it relates to a civil Assembly, but to matters of Religion, and of this kind, there were a pretty many held in *Germany*, upon the account chiefly of the Reformation, which we shall succinctly mention in this place.

I. DIET of *Ausburg* in the Year 1530, called by the Emperor *Charles V.* to re-unite the Princes about some Matters of Religion, and to join them all together against the *Turks*: Here the Elector of *Saxony*, followed by many Princes, presented the Confession of Faith, called the Confession of *Ausburgh*. The Conference about matters of Faith and Discipline being concluded, the Emperor ended the Diet by a Decree, That nothing

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nothing should be altered in the Doctrine and Ceremonies of the Church of Rome, 'till a Council should order it otherwise.

2d. Diet of *Ausburg* in 1547, about Religion, the Electors being divided concerning the Decisions of the Council of *Trent*, the Emperor demanded that the Management of this Affair should be left to him, and it was resolved, that every one should conform to the Council's Decisions.

The 3d. Diet of *Ausburg* in 1548, where the Commissioners named to examin some Memoirs about a Confession of Faith, not agreeing together, the Emperor named three Divines, who drew the Design of that famous *Interim* so well known in *Germany* and elsewhere.

The 4th. Diet of *Ausburg* in 1550, where the Emperor complained, That the *Interim* was not observed, and demanded that all should submit to the Council, which they were going to renew at *Trent*, but Duke *Maurice* of *Saxony's* Deputies protested, that their Master did submit to the Council on this Condition, that the Divines of the Confession of *Ausburg*, not only should be heard there, but should Vote also like the *Roman* Catholick Bishops, and that the *Pope* should not preside; but by plurality of Votes, submission to the Council was resolved on.

The 1st. Diet of *Nuremberg* in 1523, where *Francis Cbergat*, *Adrian* the Vth's Nuncio, demanded the Execution of *Leo* the Xth's Bull, and of *Charles* the Vth's Edict published at *Worms* against *Luther*, but it was answered, That it was necessary to call a Council in *Germany*, to satisfy the Nation about its Grievances, which were reduced to a Hundred Articles,

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some whereof struck at the *Pope's* Authority, and the Discipline of the *Roman* Church; they added, That in the *Interim*, the *Lutherans* should be commanded not to write against the *Roman* Catholicks, &c. All these things were brought into the form of an Edict, and Published in the Emperor's Name.

The 2d. Diet of *Nuremberg* in 1524, Cardinal *Cergege*, *Pope Clement* the VIth's Legate, entered the Town *incognito*, for fear of exasperating the People there, the *Lutherans* having the Advantage, it was decreed, that with the Emperor's Consent, the *Pope* should call a Council in *Germany*, but in the *Interim*, an Assembly should be held at *Spire*, to determine what was to be believed and practised; and that to obey the Emperor, the Princes ought to order the Observation of the Edict of *Worms*, as strictly as they could: *Charles*, angry at this, commanded that Edict to be very strictly observed, and prohibited the Assembly at *Spire*.

The 1st. Diet of *Ratisbon* in 1541, for uniting the *Protestants* to the Church of *Rome*; the *Pope's* Legate having alter'd the 22. Articles drawn by some learned Divines, the Emperor proposed to chuse some learned Divines that might agree peaceably upon the Articles, and being desired by the Diet to chuse them himself, he named three *Papists*, viz. *Julius Phlugius*, *John Gropperus*, and *John Eckius*; and three *Protestants*, viz. *Philip Melancton*, *Martin Bucer*, and *John Pistorius*; but after an Examination and Dispute of a whole Month, those Divines could never agree upon more than five or six Articles, wherein the Diet still found some Difficulties, wherefore

fore the Emperor, to end these Controversies, ordered by an Edict, that the Decision of those Doctors, should be reserved to a general Council, or to the National Council of all Germany, or to the next Diet eighteen Months after; and that in the mean while, the *Protestants* should keep the Articles agreed on, forbidding them to sollicite any body to change the Old Religion (as they called it,) &c. but to gratify the *Protestants* in some measure, he gave them leave, by Patent, to retain their Religion notwithstanding the Edict.

The 2d. Diet of Ratisbon in 1546, where none of the *Protestant* Confederate Princes appeared, so that it was easily decreed here, by plurality of Votes, that the Council of Trent was to be followed, which yet the *Protestant* Deputies opposed, and this caused a War against them.

The 3d. Diet of Ratisbon in 1557, the Assembly demanded a Conference between some famous Doctors of both Parties, which Conference held at Worms, between twelve *Lutheran* and as many *Papish* Livines, was soon dissolved by the *Lutherans* division among themselves, as Maimbourg would have it.

The 1st. Diet of Spire in 1526, the Emperor Charles V. being then in Spain, named his Brother, Archduke Ferdinand to preside over that Assembly, where the Duke of Saxony and Landgrave of Hesse demanded a full and free exercise of the *Lutheran* Religion, so that the *Lutherans* preached there publicly against Popery; and the *Lutheran* Princes Servants had these five Capital Letters V. D. M. J. Æ. Embroidered on their Sleeves, sig-

nifying, *Verbum Dei manet in Æternum*, to shew publicly they would follow nothing else but the pure Word of God. The Arch-Duke not daring to oppose this, proposed two Things, the first concerning the *Papish* Religion, which was to be maintain'd in observing the Edict of Worms; and the second, concerning the Aid demanded by Lewis King of Hungary, against the *Turks*; the *Lutherans* prevailing about the first, it was decreed, That the Emperor should be desired to call a General or National Council in Germany within a Year, and that in the mean time every one was to have Liberty of Conscience, and whilst they were deliberating in vain about the second, King Lewis was defeated and slain at the Battle of Mohatz.

The 2d. Diet of Spire in 1529, where it was decreed, That in all places, and where the Edict of Worms was received against the *Lutherans*, it should be lawful for no body to change his Opinion; but in the Countries where the New Religion (as they term'd it) was receiv'd, it should be lawful to continue in it 'till the next Council; if the Old Religion could not be re-established there without Sedition; nevertheless the Mass was not to be abolished there, and no Roman Catholick was allowed to turn *Lutheran*; that the *Sacramentarians* should be banished out of the Empire, and the *Anabaptists* put to Death; and that Preachers should no where preach against the Doctrine of the Church of Rome: This Decree destroying that of the first Diet, six *Lutheran* Princes, viz. the Elector of Saxony, the Marquis of Brandenburg, the two Dukes of Lunenburg, the Land-

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Landgrave of *Hesse*, and the Prince of *Anhalt*, with the Deputies of fourteen Imperial Towns, protested in Writing, two days after, in the Assembly against that Decree, which they would not obey, it being contrary to the Gospel, and appealed to the general or National Council, to the Emperor, and to any other unprejudic'd Judge: From this solemn Protestation came that famous Name of *Protestants*, which the *Lutherans* took presently, and the *Calvinists*, and other reformed Christians afterwards: They also protested against contributing any thing towards the War against the *Turks*, 'till the Exercise of their Religion was free in all *Germany*: Next Year the Emperor called that famous Diet of *Ausburg*, spoken of before.

The Diet of *Worms* in 1521, where *Alexander*, the Pope's Nuncio having charged *Luther* with *Heresie*, the Duke of *Saxony* said, that *Luther* ought to be heard, which the Emperor granted, and sent him a Pass, provided he did not preach on this Journey; being come to *Wormes*, he protested he would not recant, except they should shew him his Errors by the Word of God alone, and not by that of Men; wherefore the Emperor soon after Out-lawed him by an Edict.

DIS, the Heathen God of Riches, called also *Plutus*; he was represented *Lame* and *Blind*, wherefore when *Jupiter* sent him to any Person, he arrived there but late, and frequently, when there was no want of him; but when he return'd, he went as fast as the Wind, and Men were amazed to lose the sight of him so soon.

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DISCORD, a mischievous Divinity, according to the Opinion of the Heathens, and represented by *Aristides*, with dreadful fiery Eyes, a pale Countenance, black and blew Lips, wearing a Dagger in her Bosom: *Jupiter* banished her out of Heaven, because she sowed division among the Gods; fabulous Antiquity make her to be the ruin of *Troy*, in being angry that she was not invited with the other Gods and Goddesses, to the Wedding of *Thetis* and *Peleus*; she threw a Golden Apple into the Banqueting Room, which fell at the feet of *Venus*, *Pallas* and *Juno*, and the same being taken up by *Mercury*, he observed that there was writ upon it, 'Tis for the Fairest; this made the three jealous Deities presently fall out among themselves, each pretending it belonged to her, and *Paris* having adjudged the Apple to *Venus*, *Juno*, enraged thereat, destroyed *Troy*, and the *Trojans* together.

—*Seve Memorem Junonis ob iram.*

Who remembered the Judgment that *Paris* had pronounced in favour of *Venus*.

DIVINATION, the Art of divining or knowing future things by the help of the Devil, with whom a Covenant is made; an impious Art, and full of Illusions, because grounded upon the fallacious Knowledge of the Devil, who can know things unknown to Man, but not Futurities, except by Conjectures: There were many sort of Divinations amongst the Heathens, (which seemed indeed to be part of their Religion) the chief whereof were done by *Augures* or *Auspices*, by Events and by Dreams, charms, Sieve or a Ring: *Physiognomy*.

Physiognomy, Chiromancy, and Judicial Astrology came also under this Head. The Pagans were very superstitious in their Auguries. Natural Augurs are lawful, but the artificial, invented on purpose, or suggested by the Devil, are unlawful; Divination by Events, is also Superstitious; for 'tis indeed ridiculous to believe, that it is an unlucky thing to meet with a Monk, a Virgin, or a Hare in a Morning, &c. As for Dreams, they are either Divine, Moral, Natural, or Diabolical; the Divine are sent from God, the Natural proceed from the Tempers of Men; the Moral proceeds from the Inclinations and Manners of every Person; the Diabolical are caused by the Devil, and suggest nothing but Revenge, Despair, &c. Divination by Charms, supposes an express or tacit Covenant with the Devil: Divination by a Sieve was much used formerly, and Sorcerers practice it still, and is called *Coscinomancy*: The *Axinomancy* is done with an Ax set perpendicular, which stirs as soon as the Criminal is named; the *Dactylomancy*, or Divination with a Ring waving over a Glass full of Water, wherein some Figures appear, is also one of the Devil's Arts to deceive Men; nothing but uncertain Conjectures can be made from *Physiognomy* and *Chiromancy*; the same may be said of *Judicial Astrology*, of which we shall say no more.

DOCTRINE, (*Christian*;) A Religious Congregation founded by *Cesar de Bus*, born in *Provence*, in *France*; the same being instituted to catechise the People, according to the Papist way, the same was approved by *Clement VIII.* And *Paul V.* permitted those

Teachers to make Vows, and united them to the Regular Clerks of *Samasca*, but they were afterwards made a distinct Congregation by *Innocent X.* in 1647, under a particular *French General*; they have three Provinces in *France*, viz. that of *Avignon*, of *Paris*, and of *Tholouse*.

DOMINICANS, or Preachers: A Religious Order of the Church of *Rome*, founded by one they call *St. Dominick*, approved by *Innocent III.* in the *Lateran Council* of 1215, and Confirm'd by *Honorius III.* under *St. Austin's Rule*, and the Founder's particular Constitutions: *John Michaelis's* Reformation of this Order, was Confirmed by *Paul V.* in 1608, and received in *France*.

DONATISTS, a Name given in the fourth Century, to the Followers of *Donatus*, a Schismatick Bishop of *Carthage*, who would be honoured, by his Followers, like a God; they swore by him, and affirmed he was free from sin: His Doctrine was, That tho' *Christ* was of the same Substance with the Father, nevertheless he was less than the Father, so that his Followers, from Schismaticks, became Hereticks, believing after him, That as the Father, was above the Son, so was the Son above the Holy Ghost; That there were no vertuous People in the Church, therefore their Disciples were baptized again; they put Churchmen to death, and affirmed that the Church was extinct; several Councils were held against them, but their Rage was so great against the Orthodox, that they joined with the *Vandals* to persecute them.

DRUIDS, *Derwyddon*, the Priest of the Ancient Heathen *Britains*, and

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and *Gauls*, who taught the People their particular Superstitions and Ceremonies; one of the chiefest Points of their Theology, was the Immortality of the Soul, as a profitable Belief that inclined Men to Virtue by contemplating of Death, but they also held Transmigration of Souls, and offered Human Sacrifices; they taught Religion to their Pupils, by causing them to learn a great number of Verses by heart, relating to it, for it was not lawful to Write them, lest they should prophane the Mysteries in publishing them.

DRUZES or *Drusi*, a People of *Palestine*, inhabiting Mount *Libanus*, and the Neighbouring Countries, differing from the Christians, Turks, and all other People; they call themselves Christians, but do not observe the Doctrines of Christianity; nay, they marry their own Daughters, and commit all kinds of Incest; they hate the *Jews* and *Mahometans*, because of their Usury, tho' they be reputed *Mahometans*: It's said they expect a Wise Man out of *Egypt*, who is to give them a Law; it's not probable (as some would have it) that they are descended from the *Franks*, who followed *Godfrey* of *Bouillon*; and after the loss of *Jerusalem* in 1187, retired into the Mountains, for there were some of that Religion in 1170; but 'tis more likely that these *Druzes* are not different from the *Daraves* or *Durazes*, mentioned by *Elmatimi*, who lived in *Syria*: *Muhammed Ben Ismael*, the Founder of that Sect of *Mahometans*, began to preach his Doctrine about 1030, which perhaps gave occasion to say, That *Isman* established that Religion, since there is no great difference between *Isman* and *Ismael*.

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DRYADES; the Nymphs of the Woods, and a sort of Deities among the Pagans.

DULCINISTS, Hereticks so denominated from one *Dulcin*, the head of those wandring sort of People who lived in the beginning of the fourteenth Century: He pretended to preach the Reign of the Holy Ghost; and while he justly enough rejected the Pope's Authority, he foolishly made himself to be the head of that third Reign, saying that the Father had reigned from the Beginning of the World, to the coming of Christ; and the Son's Reign began then, and continued till the Year 1300; he was followed by a great many People to the *Alps*, where he and his Wife were taken and burnt by the order of *Clement IV*.

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EBIONITES, Hereticks, and the Followers of *Ebion*, that Arch-Heretick of the first Century of Christianity, about 72, who taught, That Christ was a meer Man, and propagated those Impieties, which are Charged upon the *Carpocratians*: He intermixt the Opinions of the *Samaritans*, and *Nazarens*, with the Dreams of the *Carpocratians* and *Cerinthians*, allowed Polygamy, and composed false Acts of the Apostles: He abstained from several Meats, and preferred the Law before the Gospel; laughed at the *New Testament*, and only made use of *St. Matthew*, which he falsify'd as he pleas'd: Some will have it that *St. John* wrote his Gospel against *Ebion* and *Cerintus*; and *Origen* and others think *Ebion* to be the Name of the Sect, and not of a Man. The *Jews* having called

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Some of the Primitive Christians, by that Name, in the way of Contempt, because the Word signifies *Poor*.

EBRBUHARITES; this is a sort of Religious Order amongst the *Mahometans*, having its denomination from the Institutor and Founder of it *Ebrbuhar*, the Scholar of *Nackfibende*, who, taking *Abdulla*, *Ilahi* and *Vesa*, to his Assistance, came out of *Asia* to propagate their Faith in *Europe*. Their Actions, they say, were govern'd with Meekness, Gravity and Silence, and laying aside all Superstitious Worship, they exercised themselves in pious Actions; their Discourses among themselves having no relation to the Things of this World, but of Matters concerning a future State: They fast mostly on *Mondays* and *Thursdays*, and always abstain from all Victuals that carries an ungrateful Smell; they tell many ridiculous Stories of their Founder, as that he was nourished with Barley Bread, Oil of Olives, Honey, Grapes, &c. yet that he eat but three times a Year, and the like: However, after all the pretended Sanctity of this Order, they are generally esteemed Hereticks by the other *Mahometans*, because they do not think themselves obliged to perform the Pilgrimage to *Mecca*, by reason of the pretended purity of their Souls and elevated Raptures, which enable them, in their Cells, to be present, and have a clear prospect into the Holy *Mecca*.

ECTHESIS, the Name of a famous Confession of the *Christian* Faith, published by the Emperor *Heraclius* in 639; whose Form was so artificially drawn, that tho' it appeared Orthodox to an unwary Reader, yet in reality it was

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not so; for under a plausible appearance of sound Doctrine, it was found, upon a thorough Examination, to maintain but one Will, and one Operation in our Blessed Saviour: *Maximus*, an Abbot near *Constantinople*, opposed this Declaration with great vigour, and, in order to get it suppressed, he made a Journey to *Rome*, and perswaded Pope *John IV.* to call a Council to condemn it: On the other hand, the Emperor *Heraclius* understanding that the Church of *Rome* Censured him for a Heretick, declared in another Edict, that *Sergius*, the Patriarch of *Constantinople*, was the true Author of the *Ecthesis*, and that it had been purely published at his Importunity.

EDHEMITES, a Religious Order amongst the *Mahometans*, founded by one *Ibrahim Edhen*, of whom his Disciples but obscurely tell us, he was a Slave, and an *Abyssine* by Birth, who went one day under the Fort *Horanan*, to discourse with *Ibnimelick* King of *Cairo*; that he was comely, facecious, but sober, always desiring to please God, continued to read the *Alcoran* in the *Mosques*, prayed Day and Night with his Face to the Ground, and often repeated these Words, *O Lord, thou hast given me so much Wisdom, as that I clearly know, I am under thy Direction, and therefore scorning all Power and Dominion, I resign my self to the Speculation of Philosophy and an Holy Life*: His Servants liking, and then imitating his Example, became Proselytes to his Doctrine: The Food of this Order is Barley Bread, they pray frequently, with fasting; and their Priors apply themselves to a Faculty of preaching: Their Cloathing is of a coarse thick Cloath;

Cloath; they wear a Woolen Cap upon their Heads, with a Turbant round it, and a white Linnen Cloath, striped with Red, about their Necks: They converse with Lyons and Tygers in the Desert, salute them and make them tame, (as they vainly say) and also by the miraculous Power of Divine Assistance, entertain a Discourse with Enoch in the Wilderness.

Egeria, a Nymph in high Reputation among the Romans; *Numa* designing to introduce several Religious Ceremonies into Rome, pretended to the People, that he consulted this Nymph in all things, and did nothing without her Advice: Others say, this *Egeria* was also a certain Goddess, to whom the Roman Women, big with Child, offered Sacrifices that they might be delivered without any Pain: Whether the Nymph and the Goddess were the same or no, is much disputed.

ELCESÆITAE and *Sampsæans*, a sort of Hereticks that sprung up in the third Age of Christianity; they rejected all St. Paul's Epistles, and followed the Opinion of the Jews, and had a particular veneration for a Book, which they pretended was sent them from Heaven: They taught that there were two Christs, one in Heaven, and the other on Earth; and that the Holy Ghost was Christ's Sister, with several other Extravagancies, which soon vanish'd.

ELENCHUS, the Heathen God of Liberty and Truth, mentioned in *Menander's* Comedies.

ELEUSIAN Mysteries; *Eleusina sacra*, Mysteries Instituted by the Pagans of the City of *Eleusis* in Greece, in Honour of *Ceres* their false Goddess. The Temple was very large, and would contain an

infinite number of People, being very richly adorned. These Mysteries were of two sorts, the greater and the lesser; the first related to *Ceres* her self only, and the latter to her Daughter *Proserpina*; tho' others say, the lesser were instituted to pleasure *Hercules*, who desired to be initiated into the *Eleusin* Mysteries, but would not be admitted into the greater, as being a Stranger: And these two sorts of Mysteries were celebrated at different times of the Year; the greater at the beginning of Harvest, and the latter in the beginning of the Spring; they that were initiated into these Ceremonies, wore a Myrtle Garland, and had a new Vest given them, which they never pulled off till it dropt in Tatters: The Ancients had so great a veneration for these Mysteries, that they used to call them Mysteries by way of Eminence: *Eleusis* was the only place where those great Honours were performed to *Ceres*, and it was reckoned an extraordinary Privilege that *Demetrius* was, *per saltum*, admitted to the greater Mysteries, when the *Ephori* was not allowed it, till after a Years Initiation; and those who were initiated into the lesser Mysteries, did attend five Years, e're they were received to the greater: The *Athenians* had a strange Passion to be admitted into these Mysteries, thinking that it contributed to their leading a peaceable Life, a happy End, and a blessed State in the other World: The King, with four Assistants, presided at this Solemnity, the first received those who were to be initiated; the second ran up and down with a Torch in imitation of *Ceres* searching for her Daughter *Proserpina*, and had the

the Charge of laying the Skins of the sacrificed Animals upon the Floor of the Temple, that it should not be prophaned by Criminal Persons, who were not allowed to stand on both their Feet, but only on the left, 'till they were purify'd : The third served for a Herald, and cryed aloud.

Procul hinc, procul ite prophani, i.e. That no Prophane Person should approach the Sacred Place, The fourth had the charge of seeing all things done in decency and order: The last of them being called *Plemochœ*, from the Name of a certain Vessel used at the Ceremony; at which time they filled two with Wine, one towards the *West*, and another towards the *East*, overturned them both, after saying some Prayers: This Procession was from *Eleusis* to *Athens*, and they made several stops by the way, singing Hymns, &c. And the *Athenians* had such a value for these Ceremonies, that when reduced by their Enemies to the greatest Extremity, the enjoyment of these Mysteries was the best Article they would capitulate for; and after the performing of them, the Senate was always called to see that every thing had been done as it ought, and the divulging those Mysteries was counted a capital Crime; and yet all this pompous and ceremonious Cavalcade, was in veneration of a very shameful Object, according to *Tertullian*, who says, *tota in auditis Divinitas*, &c. *Simulacrum Membri virilis revelatur*; and *Theodoret* says, it was *Naturæ Muliebris Imago*, which is reckoned more probable, in that they took care to conceal it, by swearing all who were admitted to the Mysteries not to reveal it, yet the Sagacity

of the Primitive Christians found it out.

ELEUTHERIA, certain Hea-
 then Festivals celebrated in
 Greece every fifth Year, in Ho-
 nour of *Jupiter Eleutherianus*, i. e.
 Protector of Liberty; they were
 instituted after the Defeat of Three
 hundred Thousand *Persians*, led
 by *Mardonius*, whereby Greece
 was delivered from the Fears of
 the *Persian* Slavery.

EMAUMS, *Mahometan* Parochial Priests, who must be able to read the *Alcoran*, and reputed Men of good Fame and Morals among their Neighbours, before they can be promoted to the Function. They must also have learnt at the appointed time of Prayers, to call the People together from the top of the Steeple by repeating these Words; *Alla Ekber, Allah Ekber, Eschedu in enla ila he ilallah tee escheda enne Mahammed evvoful caah fleie ula selah heia ala Fetaallah Ekber, Allah Ekber, la ila ilaweelah, i. e.* God is great, God is great, I profess that there is no God but he, and that *Mahomet* is the Prophet of God. In this manner the People of a Parish, recommending any one to the Prime Visier, declaring that the former *Emaum* is dead, and the Place vacant, and that this Person is well qualify'd, he receives immediate Induction; but, for better proof of the Recommendation, he is enjoined to read some part of the *Alcoran* in the Visier's presence, and then receives his *Teschere* or *Mandamus* for the Place; and this is all that is required, for they have no new Character or state of Priesthood among them: Their Habit is like the rest of the People, only they wear a large Turbant like the

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like the Lawyers, with some little variation in the folding it up, and put on a grave and serious Countenance: Few of them adventure to preach, that Office being left to the *Shogh*: The Mufti hath the Jurisdiction over the *Emaums*, and there is no Hierarchy among them; only that in Civil and Criminal cases, they are subject to the Chief Magistrates.

EMIR, in general, signifies a Commander, Chief, or Prince; the *Mahometan* Caliphs of the *East*, who had the Sovereign Authority as well in Spirituals as Temporals, over all the *Musulmens*, took no other Title upon them than that of *Emir al Men Menin*, i. e. Commander of the Faithful: Several Sovereigns of different Races, who reigned under the Authority of the Caliphs, at the Beginning, took no other Title than that of *Emir*, which, in process of time, being changed into that of Sultan, is continued only to be given the Princes, their Children, as that of *Cesar* did among the *Romans*: The Title of *Emir*, in time, came to be conferred on those who were reputed to be of *Mahomet's* Race, by his Daughter *Fathimah*, and are reckoned of the number of Religious Men, who for distinction sake, were a Turbant of a deep Sea-green, which is the Colour of their Prophet, and in respect to him, they have many Priviledges granted them by the Secular Power, so that no Man dares affront them upon the forfeiture of his Right-hand: However they have a Chief Head, or Superior, whom they call *Nakib Escref*, who hath an absolute Power over them; and tho' few of them can clearly deduce their Genealogy from *Mahomet*, yet they are helped therein, and

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countenanced by the *Nakib*, that he may acquire a new Subject: They are generally unnatural Sinners and the worst of Men.

ENCOENIA, certain Festivals solemnized by the *Jews*, in remembrance of the Purification of the Temple by *Judas Macchabeus*, after it had been prophaned and plundered by *Antiochus*.

ENCRATITÆ, Hereticks of the second Century of Christianity, that sprung from *Mercion*, *Saturninus* and *Tatianus*, they condemned Marriage, and forbade their Disciples the use of Wine and Flesh. This Heresie vanished of it self.

ENGALIUS, A Heathen Deity of the *Sabines*, called by them and the *Romans*, *Quirinus*; 'tis not well known whether it be *Mars*, or some other Divinity bearing an equal Sway with him; they danced sacred Dances in his Temple.

EPHESTRIA, certain Festivals instituted at *Thebes*, in memory of *Tiresias*, at which time his Image was first cloathed in Women's Apparel, and afterwards clad in Man's Apparel, alluding to the Fable of *Tiresias* himself, feigned to have been of both Sexes.

EPIPHANES, the Son of the Heresiarch *Carpocrates*, and Follower of his Impieties: *Clemens Alexandrinus* says, that he was Adored as a God after his Death, by the Inhabitants of *Cephalonia*, his Mother being of that Country.

EPIPHANY, the Feast of the Adoration of the three Kings among the Christians; of the Baptism of Jesus Christ, and his Miracle at the Wedding of *Cana*: As to these *Magi-Kings* we are here to observe; that the *Persians* and most of the *Eastern* People, give the Name of *Magi* to their

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Doctors, and the *Hebrew* calls them *Seubes*; the *Egyptians*, Prophets, the *Greeks*, Philosophers, and the *Latins*, Sages, or Wise: The Church of *Rome* more especially, gives the Title of Kings to these three famous Men; and the Ancientest Paintings of this Mystery, represents them crowned in Royal Robes; for some will have it, that at that time the *Eastern Nations* chose Philosophers for their Monarchs, or if the Kingdoms were Hereditary, the presumptive Heirs were instructed in such Sciences as made them merit the Name of *Sages*: As to the Country of these three Wise Men, it's probable, they came out of *Arabia the Happy*, both because their Gifts seem to be the Productions of that Country; and the Royal Prophet says, That the *Messias* should be Adored by the Kings of the *Arabians*, and *Saba*, and that he would be presented with *Arabian Gold*: Some say, but I think with no great Authority, that after our Saviour's Ascension, the Apostle *St. Thomas* going into their Country, Baptised and Consecrated them Bishops, that they were afterwards Martyr'd, and that their Reliques were brought out of *Persia* to *Constantinople*, and at last to *Cologne*.

EPULONES; certain Heathen Priests among the *Romans*, appointed by the Pontiffs, to preside at the Feasts and Sacrifices which were made in Honour of their false Deities; first they were but three, then by *Sylla* made seven; and lastly, by *Cæsar*, augmented to ten.

ERATO, one of the nine *Muses*, and a kind of a Heathen Deity, which presided over Love-Poems; she was generally repre-

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sented like a young Maiden of a gay Humour, crowned with Myrtle and Roses, holding a Harp in the Right-hand, and a Bow in the other, with a little winged *Cupid* placed by her, armed with his Bow and Arrows.

EREBUS, called by the Heathen Poets the God of *Hell*, was said to be born of the *Chaos* and *Darkness*; *Erebus*, in the *Phœnician* Language signifying *Darkness*, gave occasion to the Poetical Fiction.

ERINNIS, among the Pagans, was one of the *Infernal Furies*, and sometimes a Name common to them all, who tortured guilty Consciences on the Earth and in *Hell*; there were three of them in all, viz. *Tisiphone*, *Alecto*, and *Megara*: *Pausanias* says, That the false Goddesses called *Severæ*, whom *Hesiod* calls *Erinnes*, had a Temple at *Athens*, near *Areopagus*.

ERMENSUL, or *Irmensul*, an Idol of the Old *Saxons* of *Westphalia*, who had a stately Temple upon the Hill *Eresberg*, now called *Stadtberg*: The generality believe, that this pretended Deity was *Mars*, worshipped by this Warlike-people, as the Protector of their Country: Others call this Idol *Herminsul*, as if it signify'd the Statue of *Hermes*, or *Mercury*.

Charlemain having Conquered the *Saxons*, destroy'd this Idol, and Consecrated this Temple to the service of the true God, in the Year 799.

ESCHRACI, *Escharites*, a *Mahometan* Sect which signifies *Illuminated*, and they are purely *Platonical* Contemplatives of the Divine Idea and the Number of God, for they hold the Unity, yet they deny not the Trinity, which conception of Things they usually

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illustrate by three Folds in an Handkerchief, which may have the denomination of three, but being extended, is but one piece of intire Linnen; these Men are no great Admirers of the Composition of the *Alcoran*: What is agreeable to their Principles in it, they use as occasion serves, to confirm their Doctrine; other Parts which with difficulty are reconciled, they reject, and stile abrogated; and because they apprehend, the Bliss of Paradise consists in Contemplation of the Divine Majesty, they condemn all the Fancies and gross Conceptions of Heaven, that *Mahomet* hath framed to allure and draw the Minds of gross and ignorant Men. All the *Schehgs* and able Preachers belonging to the Royal Mosques, are of this Sect. See *Shegh*.

ESLAM, the same with *Mussulmanism*; thus the *Mahometans* call their Religion, and the Word signifies, an entire Submission and Resignation both of Body and Soul to God, and to what *Mahomet* hath revealed, wherein consists all *Mussulmanism*: They also hold them to be *Mussulmans* or Believers, who, before *Mahomet's* Preaching, believed the Unity of God; and they likewise say, all Men were born in *Eslanism*, but that their Parents, by *Magick*, *Judaism*, and other Religions diverted them from it.

ESSEANS, *Essenes*, or *Essenians*, a famous Sect among the *Jews*, whose Opinions symbolized in many things with the *Pythagoreans*: They professed Community of Goods; they shunned all Pleasures, and Marriage among the rest, wore white Garments, forbad Oaths, drank nothing but Water, used inanimate Sacrifices, had

their Elders in singular respect and were, above all others, so strict in the Observation of the Sabbath, that they prepar'd their Victuals the preceding Evening, would not remove a Vessel out of its place, nor even ease or supply Nature, unless much pressed: Another sort there was that allowed Marriage for the sake of Procreation, after they had staid three Years to try whether the Woman were healthy and fit to bear Children, but never lay with their Wives after Conception, to shew that it was more out of a Desire to benefit the Common-wealth, than to gratify their Lust: They were again divided into Practicks and Theoricks, the first lived in Cities, the others in solitary Places; the first spent their time in Handycrafts, the latter only in Meditation; the Practicks had Dinners and Suppers, the Theoricks only Suppers; but here we are to observe, that those *Essenes* who lived under the Discipline of *St. Mark*; at *Alexandria*, were *Christians*, as *St. Jerome* observes in his Book of Ecclesiastical Writers.

EVANGELISTS, Persons chosen by the Apostles to preach the Gospel, it being impracticable for the Twelve only, to preach the Gospel to all the World: *Philip*, among others, was engaged in this Function; as for their Rank in the Church, *St. Paul* places them after the Apostles, and Prophets, but before the Pastors and Teachers, which makes *Theodoret* call them Apostles of the second Rank, they had no particular Flock assigned, as Bishops or ordinary Pastors, but travelled from one place to another, according to their Instructions received from the Apostles, to whom they returned

returned after they had executed their Commission, so that in short, this Office being extraordinary, expired with the Apostles; but, after all, the Title of *Evangelist* is more particularly given to those four Holy Persons who wrote the History of our Saviour.

EUTHOLOGION, the Name of a Liturgical Book of the Greek Church, containing a Collection of Divine Service for the Administration of the Sacraments, conferring of Orders and other Religious Offices; 'tis properly their Ritual, containing every thing relating to Religious Ceremonies: Father *Simon* observes, that several of the most considerable Divines of that Church, in Europe, met at Rome, under Pope Urban the VIIIth. to examin the *Euchologion*: *Morinus*, who was one of the Congregation, mentions this Ritual in his Book *de Congregationibus*: The greatest part of the Divines being influenced by the Sentiments of the School-men, were willing to reform this Greek Ritual, by that of the Church of Rome, as if there had been some *Heresies* in it, or rather some Passages which made the Administration of the Sacraments invalid; but some who more perfectly understood this Controversy, opposed the Censure of the *Euthologion*; they proved this Ritual was agreeable to the Practice of the Greek Church, before the Schism of *Photius*, and that for this Reason it could not be Condemned, without condemning all the Old Eastern Communion.

EUDOXIANS, certain *Hereticks* whose Founder was *Eudoxius*, adhering to the Errors of the *Aetians* and *Eunomians*, affirming the Son to be differently affected in

his Will from the Father, and made of nothing.

EVE, the Mother of all Mankind, formed out of a Rib of *Adam*, cast into a deep Sleep by God on purpose, but being deluded by the Serpent, occasioned the Fall of Man, and all the fatal Consequences of it.

EVITERNUS, a false Deity, to whom the Ancients sacrificed, according to *Pliny*; those Deities were also called *Eviterni*, whom *Plato* believed to be the only true Gods immaterial, as *Apuleius* explains it, speaking of the Demon of *Socrates*.

EUMINIDES, among the Pagans, were the Furies of Hell, and a kind of Infernal Deities, made to be the Daughters of *Acheron* and the Night, and looked upon to be the Executors of the Vengeance of the Gods upon Wicked Men. They were represented with Hands dressed with Serpents, having Fire in their Eyes, and a fierce Countenance, holding in their Hands, burning Torches; they had a Temple at *Cesyna*, a Town of *Achaia*. See *Erinnys* and *Furia*.

EUMOLPIDES, the Priests of the Goddess *Ceres* and *Eleusina*, so denominated from *Eumolpus* their Ancestor, who was Ordained Pontiff, to celebrate the Mysteries of these false Divinities, and the same Dignity continued in his Posterity.

EUNOMIUS, an Arch-Heretic that lived in the fourth Century of Christianity, he was Constituted Bishop of *Cyzicum*, and stoutly defended the *Arrian* Heresy, maintaining that the Father was of a different Nature from the Son, because no Creature could be like his Creator: He affirmed Blasphemously, that he knew God, as well

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well as God himself; and those that were Baptized in the Name of the Holy Trinity, he re-baptized: Upon divulging his Tenets, he was expelled *Cyzicum*, and forced also to leave *Samosate*, where he was also obtruded by the *Arrian* Faction. *Valens* restored him to *Cyzicum*, but being again expelled by the People, he applyed himself to *Eudoxius* at *Constantinople*: He held that the Son of God did not substantially unite himself to the Humane Nature, but only by Vertue, and his Operations; re-baptized all that had been Christened in the Name of the Holy Trinity; and so was averse against the Mystery, that he forbad the triple Immersion at Baptism.

EUROPE, See Religions of *Europe*.

EUSTACHIUS, an Heresiark of the fourth Century of Christianity, a Fryar, so extravagantly fond of his own Profession, that he condemned all the other Conditions of a Civil Life, and excluded Married Folks from Eternal Bliss; he forbad praying in private Houses, and obliged all his Sectators to quit their Goods, as incompatible with the Hopes of *Paradise*, and ordered Fasts upon *Sundays*: Several Women seduced by them, left their Husbands, and a great number of Slaves took occasion from thence, to run away from their Masters.

EUTERPE, a sort of a Pagan Deity, one of the Nine Muses, who is said to have invented the Flute, and some say *Logick* too; she was represented with a Crown of Flowers upon her Head, playing upon a Flute, and Hautboys lying at her Feet.

EUTYCHIANS, *Hereticks*, and the Followers of *Eutyches* his Errors, who being a *Constantinopolitan*

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Abbot, and contending against *Nestorius*, fell into a new Heresy: He and his Followers affirmed, that *Christ* was one thing, the Word another; they denied the Flesh of *Christ* to be like ours, but said he had a Coelestial Body, which passed through the Virgin, as thro' a Channel; that there were two Natures in *Christ* before the Hypostatical Union, but that after it, there was but one, compounded of both; and thence concluded, that the Divinity of *Christ* both suffered and dyed: Being condemned in a Synod at *Constantinople*, he appealed to the Emperor; after which, by the assistance of *Dioscurus*, Bishop of *Alexandria*, he obtained a Synod at *Ephesus*, called *Laesica*, or the Assembly of Thieves and Robbers, wherein he got his Heresy to be approved; however, in the second General Council, under *Marcion*, Anno 451, his Errors were a second time condemned.

EXARCH, a Term variously used: In Ancient times, what we call Primate of a Diocese, is called an *Exarch*; but now in the *Greek* Church, it signifies a Visitor, or one deputed by the Patriarch, into Provinces, to see whether Bishops do their Duties, and whether the rest of the Clergy observe the Canons of the Church.

EXORCISMS, were certain Prayers used of Old in Christian Churches, for the dispossessing of Devils: This Custom of Exorcism is as Ancient as Christianity it self, being practised by our Saviour, the Apostles and the Primitive Church; and the Christians were so well assured of the prevalency of their Prayers upon these occasions, that they publickly offered the Heathens.

thens to venture their Lives upon the Success of them.

EXPIATION, a Pagan Ceremony of divers Sorts; In general, when Men had recourse to Temples, Altars, and Prayers, it was looked upon as the beginning of the Expiation of a Crime: *Homer* relates the Discourse of *Phœnix* to *Achilles*, exhorting him to forgive, because the mightier the Gods were, they were so much the more merciful, and inclined to pardon, when it was begged by Prayers: For the Prayers were the Daughters of *Jupiter*, who, in favour of the Petitioners, disarmed, and obliged him to send the Goddess of Revenge against the Men who would not be reconciled. And *Ovid*, on his part, thought it odd, that our Crimes, which were never inexpressible, in respect to the Gods, should be unpardonable in respect to Men. And that *Augustus* would not forgive him a Fault, that God himself had pardoned him, because he sincerely repented of it, and that the Fault he committed was more grievous to him than the Punishment he suffered for the same: For thus he says,

Sæpè levans pœnas, ereptaque lumina reddunt,

Cum benè Peccati pœnituisse vident.

Pœnitet, O! si quid miserorum creditur ulli,

Pœnitet & factò torqueor ipse meo!

Quamque sit exilium, magis est mihi culpa dolori,

Esque pati pœnas, quam meruisse minus.

So that according to this Poet, Crimes were expiated either with Temporal Punishments which God

inflicted upon Men, or with Grief and Repentance of the guilty Soul, and a pure Love for Justice, which made Men fear the Crime more than the Punishment that did attend it.

When young *Horace*, at *Rome*, was pardoned by the People for the Murder of his Sister, the King ordered he should be purged with all Expiations prescribed by the Laws of the *Pontiffs*, in cases of involuntary Murder; accordingly, Altars were erected, one to *Juno*, another to *Janus*, on which they offered Sacrifices; and young *Horace* went under the Yoke: Another sort of Expiation was performed after a Fight between the Citizens, they being obliged to purify the City, offered Sacrifices; they had Expiations to purify the Natives of the Country and Foreigners: As for the Expiations at the *Eleusians* Mysteries in *Greece*, they were attended with Fastings; for *Clemens* of *Alexandria*, says, That when those who were only taught the Principles of these Prophane Mysteries and answered the Questions offered them, they affirmed, that they had kept themselves fasting: Continency was likewise observed in these Expiations wherefore *St. Jerom* says that the Priests made use of *Hemlock* to keep themselves more easily Continent: But the most common Expiations of all was, That of Allusions, which plainly indicates to us, that all these Ceremonies of the *Gentiles*, were Copied out of the Ceremonies of the *Jews*: There is nothing more common in the Writings, both of the *Greek* and *Latin* Poets, than the washing of Hands, and even the whole Body before the Offering of Sacrifices, and to make Libations

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bations to the Gods. *Sophocles* in his *Oedipus* affirms, as *Tirannus* says, That both voluntary and involuntary Crimes were expiated in Waters. And *Euripides* in his *Hippolitus*, introduces that Chast Lord, saying, That he Thought himself defiled, because he was tempted to Commit a Crime, and that he must wash his Ears for the same. And *Eneas* in *Virgil* desires his Father *Anchises* to Carry his household-Goods, because he had defiled himself with Blood, and Slaughter in the defence of *Troy* and was not purified.

———*Donec me flumine vivo
Abluero.*

The *Greeks* had learnt these Laws of Expiations and Purifications of the *Aegyptians*, and they must have them of the *Jews*.

EXTRAVAGANTS, A Name given to those Decretal Epistles of the Popes after the *Clementines*: The first Extravagants are of *John XXIII* Successor to *Clement V*. they were so named because, at first, they were not digested, nor ranged with the other Papal Constitutions, but seemed to be, as it were detached from the Canon-Law; the same Name Continuing amongst them, when they were afterwards inserted in the Body of the Canon-Law. The Collection of Decretals in 1483, were called the *Common Extravagants*, notwithstanding they were likewise embodied with the rest of the Canon-Law.

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FABULINUS, A certain false Deity to which the *Romans* offered Sacrifices when their Child-

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ren began first to speak, as *Nonius* observes, from a Quotation of *Varro*, concerning the Education of Children.

FAKIRS, A sort of *Mahometan Dervishes*, or Religious Vagabonds, who live upon Alms; when they go many in a Company, then they have a Superior, whom they obey: This and the other Chief *Fakirs* Garment Consists of three or four Yards of Orange-colour Linnen, which they tie round them, so that one end hangs between their Thighs to Cover their Nakedness, and a Tygers Skin which hangs over their Shoulder, and is tied under their Chin, whilst the ordinary *Fakirs* have but a Cord round their Waste, with a piece of Linnen between their Privities; their Hair is Woven in Tresses, and Forms a kind of a Turbant; every one of them Carries a Hunters Horn, which he blows when he arrives at, or departs from any Town.

An Iron-Rack, wherewith they clean the Places they design to lye in; sometimes having raked all the Dust into a heap, they use it for a Bed to lie the easier. When they come to any Town, their Superior deposes some of the Company to go and beg for all the rest, distributes what they bring equally, and if any remains, gives it to the Poor saving nothing for next Day; deluding the Common People with this false Zeal, and making them believe all they say is Oraculous: There are some they call Idolatrous *Fakirs*, who, having no certain Mansion, abandon themselves to all sorts of Impurities, pretending a Privilege to Commit all sorts of Actions without danger of Sin: Their Chief is distinguished from the rest by having

ving a greater number of pieces in his Garment than they, and by an Iron-Chain, two yards long tyed to his Leg; when he designs to rest in any place, a Cloathing being laid on the Ground, he sits down upon it, and gives Audience, whilst his Disciples publish his Vertues, and the favour which he receives from God, in the Neighbourhood, which makes the People flock to hear him: Some of them have two hundred Disciples, which are called together by beat of a Drum, and sound of a Horn; and when they March, have a Standard, Lances, and other Weapons: The third sort of *Fakirs* are the Children of poor People, who retire into *Mosques* to Study the Law, in order to become *Moullas* or Doctors; they learn the *Alcoran* by heart, Marry two or three Wives out of Devotion and in Imitation of *Mu-homet*, to get a greater Number of Children, and Observers of the Law of their Prophet. The Penitent *Fakirs* affect a certain Posture, which some observe all their life-time, holding their Hands across over their Heads, others turning them behind them, are holding their Heads down, without speaking a Word, or looking upon any Body; some stand upon one foot holding a Chaffing-dish wherein they burn Frankincense to their God; in all which Postures, they are quite naked, and the *Indian* Women are so extravagantly Superstitious, that they expect particular favours in their Marriage, by a shameful way of Kissing these Penitents, who turn up their Eyes after a frightful manner, when these Women draw near them. There are other *Fakirs* that serve them with Necessa-

ries: Some persons of Quality have turned *Fakirs*, and among others, five great Lords of *Chah-gahan*, the great *Mogul's* Court; they had three fine Horses, whose Bridles were Gold, and Saddles covered with Plates of the same; five that had Silver Bridles and Saddles, covered with that Metal; their Disciples were armed with Bows and Arrows, Muskets and Half-Pikes, there are a vast Number of all these sorts of *Fakirs* in the *Indies*.

FANUS, A Heathen Diety, that protected Travellers, and was also reputed the God of the Year: The *Phenicians*, according to *Macrobius*, represented him, under the form of a Snake with his Tail in his Mouth.

FAITH, See *Fides*.

FATE, *Destiny*, among the Heathens, was represented as a Goddess, treading upon the Globe of the World, because all that was contained therein submitted to her Law: She held in her Hand, a Vessel or the fatal Urn, wherein, according to the Poets, are the Names of Mortal Men deposited; and the Pagans in their Epitaphs, complained of the Malice, Envy and Cruelty of the *Fates* that were inflexible, and could not be moved with Tears: The Ancients reckoned the *Fates* to be Three in Number, because, said they, all things under Heaven had their Beginning, Progress and End, wherefore these same *Fates* are represented by three different Female Terms, or by three Women only with half Bodies, like the *Terms*, as we may see by the following Inscription.

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For the *Termini* were the Gods of Bounds, and the *Fates* set Bounds to our Lives, and put an end to all our Undertakings. *Ovid* introduces *Jupiter* speaking to *Venus*, and saying, that it was to no purpose to attempt to break the Decrees of the Three *Parce* or Destinies, which were Immutable and Eternal, and ruled all Things that were done; so that tis evident, from him and all others, that by *Fate*, nothing was intended but the Will of *Jupiter*. *Phar-nacus* says, That *Destiny* is that which disposes and rules all Things according to the Order of an Eternal Principle; and fully rejecting the *Fate* of the Three Sisters, which is a *Fate* of Superstition, tells us, that *Fate* is the Eternal Truth, and the first predominant Cause of all Beings; therefore the Idolaters represented the *Parce* placed upon the Head of *Jupiter*, to intimate the Destinies obey God, and that both Hours and Time are at the disposal of his Will: As for *Plutarch*, he will have these Three Heathen Deities called *Parce*, to be the three Parts of the World, viz. The Firmament of the fixed Stars, the Firmament of the wandring Stars, and that great Expanse of the Air from the *Moon* to the *Earth*; that the Concatenation of all the Bodies, and Causes contained in these three Parts of the World, made this *Fate* in a manner, bodily producing natural effects, according to the common course of Nature; but this was not performed with-

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out some Divinity, who was like the Soul of the World, and moved it by himself, and the Intelligences whom he had placed therein, to whom he had given his Order, and were the intellectual *Fate*: The Temple of the three Destinies, called, by the Romans, *Parce*, was built near that of *Janus* at *Rome*.

FATHEMAH, and *Fatima*, the False Prophet, *Mahomet's* Daughter by *Aischah*, born at *Mecca*, five Years before her Father set up for a Prophet, and dyed at *Medina* six Months after him; she was married to *Ali*, her Father's Cousin German; and was the Mother of *Hassau* and *Honsau*: The *Mahometans* make her to be an exceeding vertuous Woman, but yet are not arrived to such a pitch of Superstition as to invoke her, as some Christians do the Virgin *Mary*: From her the Dynasty of the *Fathimites* took their Name and Origin, I mean the Princes, who pretended to be descended in a direct Line from her, and *Ali* her Husband.

FAUNA FATUA, the Sister and Wife of *Faunus*, and a Deity of the Romans: *Lactantius* says, *Faunus* instituted infamous Sacrifices to *Saturn* his Grand-father, in the Latin Country, and rendered Divine Honours to his Father *Picus*, and his Sister and Wife *Fatua* *Fauna*: Some say, she was called *Fatia*, because she foretold Women their Destinies, as *Faunus* did Men; and *Varro* informs us, she was so chaste, that no Man saw her, nor heard her, but her own Husband, wherefore Women sacrificed to her in private, and called her the Good Goddess; but *Plutarch* in his *Roman Questions*, says, she was given to drinking.

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FAUNALIA SACRA, Feasts kept on the fifth of *December*, in Honour of the false and Heathenish Divinity, *Faunus*, whereat the Country Pagan-people, leaving Work, danced and were merry.

FAUNI, called also *Satyrs*, *Pans*, and *Sylvans*, among the ignorant *Pagans* were taken for *Jenii* and *Demi-Gods*, inhabiting Woods and Mountains, and were represented with small Horns on their Heads, painted Ears, and the rest of their Bodies like Grass; the Country People worshipped them, and offered them Goats in Sacrifice: These *Demi-Gods*, were only the Gods of the *Latins*, and were unknown to the *Greeks*.

FE or **FO**, the name of the Chief Diety of the *Chineses*, whom they adore as Sovereign of Heaven. They representing him Shining all in light, with his hands hid under his Robes, to shew that his Power does all things invisibly; he has at his Right-hand, *Confucius*, placed by the *Pagans* among the Gods; and on his Left-hand, *Lanza* or *Lanca*, chief of the second Sect of their Religion.

FEAR, A Heathen Diety, see *Pavor*.

FEASTINGS of the *Jews*, were more than ordinary preparations of Meat and Drink: The extraordinary and more liberal kind of Entertainment, by way of Feasting, was called *Mishbe*, and there was also a kind of feasting, wherein they made merry together, eating the remainders of the Sacrifices: In these greater Feastings, there were preparatory Ceremonies, which were chiefly salutation, either by Words, as the Lord bless you, or Peace be with you, or asking one another of their Well-

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fare; or else by Gestures, as prostrating the whole Body, but most commonly by an ordinary Kiss; the second preparatory Ceremony was washing the Feet; the third was pouring out of Oil upon the Head; after which the Master of the House sitting down with the rest of the Guests, took a Cup of Wine in his Hand, and thus began his Thanksgiving: *Blessed be thou, O Lord our God, which createst the Fruit of the Vine*; after which, he took the Bread, which he lightly cut, but not in sunder, for the more easie breaking of it, and holding it in both his Hands, he blessed it in these Words: *Blessed be thou, O Lord our God, the King of the World, which brings forth Bread out of the Earth*. This done, the Master brake the Bread and distributed it to every one that sat at the Table; then they began to feed upon the Dishes that were provided: When the Feast was over, the Master of the House, or some body for him, gave Thanks again, after this manner: *Let us bless him who hath fed us of his own, and by whom we live, and then all the Guests answered, Blessed be he of whose Meat we have eaten, and of whose Goodness we live*: Which done, he that began proceeded with a *Blessed be he, and Blessed be his Name, for their present Food*. 2. *For their deliverance out of Servitude*. 3. *For the Covenant of Circumcision*. 4. *For the Law given by Moses, concluding with a Prayer, That God would have mercy*. 1. *On his People Israel*. 2. *On his own City Jerusalem*. 3. *On Sion, the Tabernacle of his Glory*. 4. *On the Kingdom of the House of David his Anointed*. 5. *That he would send the Prophet Elias, and, Lastly, That he would make them worthy*

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worthy of the Days of Elias, and of the life of the World to come. Which done, there was a Grace-cup went round the Table, blessed after the same manner as at the Beginning.

Besides the daily Sacrifices, the Jewish Sabbath was a perpetual weekly Feast, and observed with as much strictness and Religion, as any other Festival; the first Day of every Month, (which was Lunar with the Jews) was likewise a Holy Day, and called the New Moon: They had five other more solemn Feasts, which they celebrated every Year.

FELICITY, a Heathen Divinity, made to be the Daughter of Hercules, and to merit Divine Honours, because she sacrificed herself for the Athenians, against the Lacedemonians, according to the Answer of the Oracle: Lucullus built her a Temple at Rome, and she was represented in the figure of a Woman of Quality, sitting upon a Throne, with a Caduceus, or a Mercury's Wand in one hand, and a Cornucopia in the other.

FERALIA, these were Feasts celebrated by the Heathen Romans on the 21st of January, to render the last Honours to the Dead, and pacify their Ghosts called Manes: This Feast was kept during Eleven Days in this manner. The Kindred and Acquaintance of the Dead, went to their Graves, and turned round about them, making their Prayers; then they prepared an Entertainment upon a great Stone, and this feasting was commonly served with Honey, Wine and Milk; they spread Flowers also, and burnt Frankincense and other Perfumes, according to the Quality of the Deceased: The Ancients did believe that the

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Souls of the Deceased suffered no pain in Hell, during the Eleven Days that the subterranean Gods were invoked upon their account, but were allowed to walk about their Graves, and feed upon the Feast prepared for them: During this time, Marriages were forbidden, and the Temples of other Divinities were shut up, because they fancied that the Ghosts were walking, and that all was then prophane, and this Ovid meant by these Verses.

*Dum tamen hæc fiunt, viduæ cessate
puellæ,*

Exspectet puros, pinea tædæ dies.

*Di quoque Templorum, foribus celen-
tur opertis,*

*Thuræ vacent aræ, stentque sine
igne foci.*

*Nunc animæ tenues & Corpora
sancta Sepulcris*

*Errant, nunc posito pascitur Um-
bra cibus.*

This Feast having for some Years been neglected among the Romans, the Priesthood had artifice enough to make them believe, that all the Graves were seen on fire, and that the Souls were heard, both in the City and Country, complaining in the Night of being forsaken; whereupon it was ordered, to keep this Feast for the future with more Devotion and exactness, and immediately, they said, the Prodigy ceased.

FERIE, certain Holy Days on which the Romans discontinued all Sorts of Works; and here we are to observe, that those Heathens had three sorts of Days, some entirely Consecrated to their Gods, called *Festi*, others destined wholly to Men, named *Profesti*, and the third between both, called *In-*
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tercisi: The first sort included four species's, viz. Days of solemn Sacrifice. 2. Days of publick Feasting in honour of the Gods. 3. Days for the Plays instituted by their Religion; and finally, those Days on which they left off all sorts of Work, in Honour of their Gods, and these were called *Feriae*. There were publick *Feriae* kept by all the People in general, and privately observed by some particular Families. Of the first, there were four sorts, First the sixt ones, or *Agnalia*, kept in *January*, in honour of *Janus*, or, according to *Festus*, in memory of the God *Agon*; the *Lupercalia* in honour of *Pan*, in *February*, &c. Secondly, there were some Celebrated Yearly, but not on the same days, the Solemnity being advanced or retarded, as the Magistrates or Priests thought it convenient; such were the *Feria Latina*, instituted by *Tarquinius superbus*; *Feria sementina*, after Seed-time, to obtain of the Gods a good Harvest; *Paganalia*, celebrated by the Boors in honour of *Ceres*, for the preservation of the Fruits of the Earth. Thirdly, *Feria imperativa*, or *indictiva*, because the Consul or *Prætor* ordered the Celebration upon some considerable Event; finally, the *Nundina*, the fourth Part of the Publick, ordained in favour of the Country people, to sell and buy what they had occasion for.

FERONIA, A Heathen Goddess of the Woods and Orchards, which took its Name from the Town of *Feronia*, in *Italy*, where a Wood and a Temple was Consecrated to her. *Strabo* relates, That the Men who offered Sacrifices to her, walked barefoot upon burning Coals, without burning themselves; she was honoured by Free-men as

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their Protectress, because they received in her Temple, a Cup that was the Token of their Liberty.

FESOLI, or **FESOLE**, a Congregation of Christian Monks, which are also called Fryers *Mendicants* of *St. Jerom*; they were founded by *Charles*, the Son of the Count of *Mont Granello*, who living a solitary life in the Mountains of *Fesole*, about the Year 1386, was followed by some Companions, and set up this Society, approved first, by *Innocent VII.* and afterwards confirmed by *Gregory XII.* and *Eugenius IV.* under the Rules of *St. Austin*.

FESTIVALS; their Original is very Ancient, as well among the Pagans, and *Mahometans*, as among the *Jews* and *Christians*: The most considerable among the Pagans, were the *Bachanalia*, *Cerealia*, *Saturnalia*, &c. of which, in their proper places. The *Mahometans* have also their Festivals, but in less Numbers than the *Jews* and *Christians*. *Friday* is their Day of Rest, as being that on which *Mahomet* was Born, and upon that Day, they pray six times, whereas upon other Days they are not obliged to say above five Prayers: They have also their *Easter* or *Bairam*, and some others; nay, some Devotees among them, have their peculiar Saints, to whom they apply themselves in their Necessity.

The *Jews*, besides their *Sabbaths*, and *New Moons*, observed also the Feast of *Pentecost*, fifty Days after the Passover, in remembrance of the Law delivered to them by *Moses*, the fifty Days after their coming out of *Egypt*: The Feast of Trumpets, according to *Moreri*, was one of their *New-Moons*, and fell upon the First Day of the *Tisri*, which

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which was the Seventh Month of the Ecclesiastical Year, and the first of the Civil: They sounded upon Horns, or Trumpets made of Horns, in remembrance of *Isaac's* being delivered, just as he was going to be sacrificed: The Fourth Feast is that of the Propitiation, on the 10th of the Month *Tisri*, being the Day of *Moses's* declaring to them, that God had pardoned their Idolatry, in the matter of the Golden Calf: At this time the High Priest let go the Scape-Goat into the Desert. In the Feast of Tabernacles, they dwelt seven days under Tents, in Commemoration of their forty Years wandering in the Wilderness: The grand Sabbath was that which happened on the Seventh Day of this Feast; besides which, they had a Feast of Dedication, instituted by *Judas Maccabeus*; and at the Feast of *Purim*, in remembrance of their Deliverance from *Haman's* Plot, they read over the whole Book of *Esther* by Night, and they made a great noise, knock'd with their Feet, at the mentioning of *Haman's* Name, and they spent those Days in good Cheer: The Chiefest and most Sacred of the Jewish Feasts, was the Sabbath: They also kept holy, as already hinted, the first Day of every *New Moon*; next was the *Passover*, the Institution and Reason of which, you may see in the Twelfth of *Exodus*: The Third was the Feast of Tabernacles. The Fourth was that of *Unleavened Bread*: Then there were the Feast of *Weeks*; also as every Seventh Day was a Sabbath, so every Seventh Year was a *Sabbatical Year*. And the Observation of this Festival, consisted chiefly in two Things: First, in not tilling their Ground; and Secondly, in Credi-

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tors discharging their Debtors, and releasing their Debts: Moreover, every fiftieth Year was the Year of *Jubile*: Besides all these, there were also other lesser Feasts. I have already mentioned those of *New Moons* and *Trumpets*, in the first of which, they only offered two young Bullocks, one Ram, and seven Lambs, and blew no Trumpets; but in the other, there was an Addition to this Offering, *Num.* 29. 1, 6. And they blew the Trumpets from Sun rising to Sun setting: There was also the Feast of Expiation, &c.

The three grand Festivals of the Christians, are *Christmas*, *Easter*, and *Whitsontide*; the first in remembrance of the Birth; the second, the Resurrection of *Christ*, and the third, in memory of the descent of the Holy Ghost, after the Ascension of *Christ*; the rest which are allowed by the Church of *England*, are much fewer in number than those observed by the Church of *Rome*, and were Ordained in Remembrance either of some particular Acts, as the Conception and Purification, &c. Or Consecrated to particular Angels and Saints, as *St. Michael*, *St. Peter*, &c. But some Protestant Communities allow of none of these Festivals, only they have a very particular regard for the strict Observation of the Lord's Day.

The Festival of *Asses*, was a strange Ceremony formerly used in the Cathedral Church of *Roan* in *Normandy*, upon *Christmas-day*; the same being a Procession wherein some of the Clergy represented the Prophets of the *Old Testament*; one represented *Zachary*; another, *St. Elizabeth*; a third, *John the Baptist*; a fourth, *Simeon*, *Sybil*, &c.

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Erythrea, and *Virgil* for his *Eclogue*, *Sicilides Musa*, had also a Place in it, as well as *Baalam*, mounted on his Ass, from whence the Ceremony derives its Name. Having gone round the *Cloyster*, they entred, where stood People on both sides, to represent the *Jews* and *Gentiles*; the Singers having spoken somewhat to both, they called the Prophets, one after another, each of which repeated a Passage concerning the *Messiah*; then having represented the three Children in the Furnace, and heard *Nebuchadonoxer* speak, the *Cybil* came last, and the Choire and Prophet sung and put an end to the Ceremony.

FETICHE, the Name of pretended Deities, worshipped by the People of *Guinea* in *Africa*; they have one *Fetich* for a whole Province, and others for particular Families: This Idol is a Tree, a Bird, an Ape's Head, or some such Foppery, just as the Fancy takes them.

FEUILLIANS, a Congregation of Monks, settled towards the end of the fifteenth Century, by *John de la Barriere*; he was a *Cistercian*, and the Plan of his new Congregation, was a kind of a Reformation of that Order; his Method of refining upon the Old Constitution, was approved by Pope *Sixtus Quintus*; the *Feuliantines* are Nuns, who follow the same Reformation.

FIDES, Faith: I shall not speak here of it, as a Principle of Christianity, but observe that the Pagans made a Goddess of it, and honoured and placed it in Heaven; *Livy* relates, that her Priests were cloathed with very white Linnen, to shew the Candour and Sincerity of Faith; she was represented by her Hands joined both together,

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and sometimes by two little Images, holding one another by the Hand; they tell us, *Numa Pompilius* was the first who built a Temple to publick Faith, and instituted Sacrifices in Honour of her at publick Charges; her Priests or *Flamines* sacrificed to her without shedding of Blood, cloathed with white Robes, and drawn upon a Chariot, holding their Right-hand open.

FIDIUS, A certain Pagan Deity which the *Romans* borrowed of the *Sabines*, and was by them much Honoured with Sacrifices and Temples, he being esteemed the Protector of the good Faith that should reign amongst them; the Feast was celebrated every Year upon the *Nones* of *June*, and his Image is still to be seen at *Rome*, in an Ancient Marble of three Figures, which are under a kind of Canopy, *Honour* stands at the Right, under the figure of a middle aged Man; *Truth* at the Left, represented by a Woman crowned with *Lawrel*, holding *Honour* by the Hand; and *Love* is betwixt them both, under the form of a young Child, with this Inscription, *Simulacrum Fidii*.

FIRE, see *Ignis*.

FLAGELLANTES, a Name given, in the thirteenth Century, to a Sect of People among the Christians, who made a Profession of disciplining themselves: It was began in 1260 at *Perousa*, by one *Rainerus* a Hermit, who exhorted People to do Penance for their Sins, and had a great number of Followers. In 1349, they spread themselves over all *Poland*, *Germany*, *France*, *Italy*, and *England*, carrying a Cross in their Hands, a Cowl upon their Heads, and going naked to the Waste; they lashed themselves twice a day, and once

once in the Night, with knotted Cords stuck with Points of Pins, and then lay groveling upon the ground, crying out *Mercy*; and from this Extravagance, they fell into a gross Heresy, affirming, that their Blood, unites in such a manner with Christ's, that it had the same Vertue; that after thirty days whipping, they were acquitted from the Guilt and Punishment of sin, so that they cared not for the Sacraments, persuaded the common People, that the Gospel had ceased, and suffered all sorts of Perjuries. The Frenzy lasted a long time, notwithstanding the Censures of the Church, and the Edicts of Princes for suppressing them.

FLAMINES: Certain Priests among the Heathen *Romans*, Ordained by *Numa*, to perform Divine service to *Jupiter*, *Mars*, and *Romulus*, whence the first was named, *Flamen dialis*; the second, *Martialis*; and the third, *Quirinalis*; they were chosen from among the Nobility, and were called *Flamines majores*, or High Priests, and were in great Esteem, more especially the first, that whatever Malefactor could escape to him, he could not be punished that Day; none was to be elected into this Office, but such as were married, so that if his Wife dyed, he resigned his sacerdotal Office; none was to fetch Fire out of his House, unless it were to perform some Sacrifice. The *Flamen dialis* presided over all the rest, had his Lictor, was carried in an Ivory Chair, and clad in Royal Robes: It was he that blessed the Arms, and officiated in Chief, but had no Civil Office, that he might devote all his time to the Worship of the Gods: His Cap was of white Sheep-skin, con-

secrated to *Jupiter*, to whom he sacrificed one every Month; he was not allowed to ride, nor to take any Oath, nor to lie out of the City, and he was forbid to touch or name a She-Goat, a Hare or Beans; and never entred into any place where dead Bodies lay, and was bound to shift himself in private, lest *Jupiter* should see him naked: He was chosen in the general Assembly, the rest in other Assemblies, and were Consecrated by this great *Pontif*. Besides the three greater *Flamines* already mentioned; there were also several inferior *Flamines*, which afterwards increased to that number, that every Deity had his *Flamen*. However, while the Regal Authority continued in *Rome*, the Kings reserved their Right and Authority in Holy matters, so far that they would instruct the *Flamines* and other inferior Priests, and perform some special Sacrifices themselves. 'Till their Authority being abrogated, the *Romans* chose a certain Priest, whom they preferred before the *Flamen Dialis*, but judged him Inferior to the Arch-Priest, and called him *Rex sacrorum*, or King-Priest.

FLAMINICA, the Wife of the *Flamen dialis*, was invested with the Priesthood like her Husband, and was not obliged to observe the same Ceremonies that he observed himself; she was not allowed to comb her Hairs, nor to put them in order, when she went to the Ceremonies of the *Argæi*, celebrated in *May*, because she was then in Mourning.

FLINS, an Idol of the Ancient *Vandals*, who inhabited that part of *Germany* that is now called *Lusasia*; the Word in *Saxon* signifies a Stone, for they represented their

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Deity by a great Stone shaped in the form of *Death* covered with a long Cloak, holding a Stick in its Hand, with a blown Bladder, with a Lyon upon its left Shoulder, by which these Barbarians thought they should be brought to live again.

FLORA, the Pagan Deity of Flowers; *Lactantius* describes her as if she was a Courtezan, who had left her Substance to the People of *Rome*, in consideration of which, they paid her extraordinary Honours: But *Varro* recounts her among the Divinities, who were before that time, honoured by the *Sabines*, and were received at *Rome*, when the *Sabines*, together with their King *Tacius*, joined themselves to the *Romans*, to make with them but one and the same body of People: *Ovid* makes her to be the Goddess of Flowers, the Wife of *Zephrus*, whereby he means a natural Goddess. The Games *Floralia* were instituted in Honour of her. See *Floralia*, or *Florales Ludi*.

FLORALIA, or *Florales Ludi*, certain Sports instituted by the Heathen *Romans*, in honour of the Goddess *Flora*, or rather instituted by her self. They were observed upon the fourth Day of *April*, and first of *May*, upon which it was the abominable Custom of shameless Strumpets to run up and down the Streets naked, using many lascivious Gestures and obscene Speeches.

FLORINUS, a Heretick in the second Century of Christianity, who ridiculously taught, that God did not only permit, but do Evil; his Followers were called *Floriani*.

FONTINALIA, a Festival of the Heathen *Romans*, celebrated

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on the 13th of *November*, in honour of the supposed Nymphs, who presided over Fountains and Wells; the Ceremony (wherein they thought there was Religion) was performed by throwing Nose-gays into the Fountains, and crowning the Wells with Flowers.

FORDICIDIA, or *Fordicalia*, a Festival observed by the Heathen *Romans*, on the 15th of *April*, through all the *Curia*, on which they offered in Sacrifice, a Cow with a Calf, named *Forda*.

FORNICALIA, Heathen Festivals of the *Romans*, in honour of the false Goddess *Fornax*, who presided over the Ovens, wherein what was roasted, before the grinding Corn, and making Bread was found out; during those Feasts, certain Cakes were made, and Sacrifices offered before the Ovens.

FORTUNE, a Deity esteemed by the Pagans, to be the Ruler of all Events both good and bad: *Homer* has placed her among the Nymphs, the Daughter of *Oceanus*, but never allowed her a great power over Human Affairs, tho' he has in other places described the Functions proper to every particular He-Divinity. *Pausanias* has also observed, that Imaginary Omnipotence ascribed to *Fortune*, and so much extolled by vain Men in following Ages, did not prevail over their Minds (at least of the *Greeks*) before the Age of *Homer*: But *Pindar* prays to *Fortune* as the Daughter of *Jupiter*, who has at her Command, the ordering, Motions, and Success in War, both by Sea and Land, and presides at publick Deliberations. On the other hand, *Horace* places the Management of all things in the Hands of *Jupiter*, whose secret and just Designs are unknown to Men

and in general, all things that are ascribed to *Fortune*, is performed by Providence.

Ode 34. l. 1.

— *Valencia summis*
Mature, & insignem attenuat Deus,
Obscura promens, Hinc apicem rapax,
Fortuna cum stridore acuto
Sustulit, hic profuisse gaudet.

'Tis plain from hence that *God* and *Fortune* are two Names that signifie the same thing, for commonly Men ascribe to *Fortune*, the Event that do not depend upon them, and are performed by a Superior Cause unknown to them. The *Greeks* had many Temples dedicated to *Fortune*, recorded by *Pausanias*, in several Places of his Book, called the *Fortune of the Gods*: *Ancus Martius*, the fourth King of the *Romans*, was the first who built her a Temple at *Rome*, with this Title, *Fortunæ virili*: *Servius Tullius* built her one at the Capitol, by the Title of *Primo-genia*; the *Romans* also gave her several other Names besides, as *Fortuna Libera*, *Redux*, *Publica*, *Equestris*, *Parva Fortuna*, *Fors*, or *Fortis Fortuna*, *Fortuna feminea*, &c. to whom they erected Temples, and *Ædiculæ*. There was a Statue of *Fortune* at *Athens*, holding *Plutus*, the God of Riches, between her Arms; and she is represented on Medals, like a Goddess, holding a Horn of Plenty with one Hand, and with the other, the Helm or Rudder of a Ship set upon a Globe, to shew that she governs the World. She was also generally represented lying or sitting, and held her Horn of Plenty under her Left Arm, and lay her Right Hand upon a Wheel to denote her Instability and Inconstan-

cy; some have represented her with a Beard, and others carrying a Branch of Lawrel with her Horn of Plenty: Lastly, The Pagans, says *St. Austin*, esteemed so much the Goddess *Fortune*, that they have left in Writing, That the Statue that Woman had Consecrated by the Name of *feminine Fortune*, had spoken, and said more than once, that they had done well to render her that Honour.

FRANCISCANS, an Order of Fryers in the *Romish Church*, and so denominated from him they call *St. Francis*, their first Founder in 1206, who prescribed the following Rules to them: That the Rule and Life of the Brother *Minors* (for so he would have those of his Order called) was to observe the Gospel under Obedience, possessing nothing as their own, and live in Charity; then he shewed how they should receive *Novices* after a Years noviciate, after which, it was not allowed them to leave the Order; he would make his Fryars make use of the *Roman Breviary*, and the Converts or Lay-Brethren to write every Day, for their Office, Seventy six *Paternosters*; besides *Lent*, he ordered them to fast from *All-Saints* to *Christmas*, and to begin *Lent* on *Twelfth-tide*; he forbade them to ride on Horse-back, without some urgent necessity; and would have them in their Journeys, to eat of whatsoever was laid before them: They were to receive no Money, neither directly nor indirectly; that they ought to get their Livelihood by the labour of their Hands, receiving for it any thing but Money; that they ought to possess nothing of their own, and when their Labour was not sufficient to maintain them, they ought to go a begging, and

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with the Alms so collected, to help one another; that they ought to confess to their Provincial Ministers those sins, the Absolution of which was reserved to them, that they might receive from them charitable Corrections; that the Election of their general Minister, Superiors, &c. ought to be in a general Assembly; that they ought not to preach without leave of the Ordinaries of each Diocese, and of their Superiors; then he prescribed the manner of Admonition and Correction; how that they ought not to enter into any Nunnery, to be Godfathers to any Child, nor to undertake to go into Foreign Countries, to Convert Infidels, without leave of their Provincial Ministers, then bids them ask of the Pope, a Cardinal for Governour, Protector and Corrector of the whole Order.

FRATICELLI, certain Heretics of *Italy*, who had their rise in the Marquisate of *Ancona*, about 1294. They were most of them Apostate Monks, under a Superior called *Pongiloup*; they drew Women after them on pretence of Devotion, and were accused of Uncleanness with them in their Nocturnal meetings: They were charged with maintaining a Community of Wives and Goods, and denying Magistracy: Abundance of Libertines flocked after them, because they countenanced their Licentious way of living.

FRAUD, a Goddess worshiped by the Ancient Pagans, either when they had a Mind to deceive, or were afraid to be deceived: She was of a very monstrous shape, having the Countenance of a very handsome young Woman, the Body of a Parry-colour'd Serpent, and a Scorpion's Tail; her Countenance denoted the specious pre-

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tences made use of to cover their Cheats; the spotted Body signified her different Wiles; and the Scorpion's Tail, the Malice which is always found at the bottom of their Designs.

FURIES: There were three of them, viz. *Tisiphone*, *Alecto*, and *Megea*: See *Erynnis*.

FURINA, the Heathen Goddess of Thieves or Robbers, otherwise called *Laverna*, to whom the Pagans Consecrated a Wood, and instituted Feasts in honour of her called *Furinalia*.

FURINALIA or *Furnalia*, Feasts kept by the Pagans in honour of their false Goddess *Furina*, on the 25th of *July*.

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GAIANITES, Christian Heretics that sprang from the Sect of the *Eutychians*, who maintained, that after the Union of the two Natures in Christ, his Body was incorruptible; and that he suffered neither Hunger nor Thirst, nor any other Infirmary; to which Man is lyable by Natural Necessity, but after another manner.

GALATEA, A Nymph and Sea-Goddess of the Pagans, Daughter to *Nereus* and *Doris*: There were indeed two or three of them; but they are not worth Mentioning.

GALLICYBELES, The Priest of the Heathen Goddess *Cybele*; the Mother of the Gods, and so Denominated from the River *Gal-lus* in *Phrygia*, of which they Drank before they began their Sacrifices, because the Waters of that River, infused a Kind of a Madness into them, which they called Divine; they celebrated their Festivals running like Mad-men, using extravagant Postures, beating upon little Brass Drums; they also

also Castrated themselves, because this supposed Diety was to be served by none but *Eunuchs*: They went begging from Door to Door, and were wont to Carry the Goddess upon an Ass with their *Umbrellas*: the Chief of them was called *Archigallus*.

GAURS, A People dispersed over all *Persia* and *India*, that observe a particular Religion, they that live in *India* are generally Ivory-turners: Those of *Kerman* in *Persia*, where there are above a Hundred Thousand of them, follow the Woolen Manufactory; their Principal Temple stands in that Province, where their Chief Priest resides, and whither all the *Gaurs* are obliged to repair in Pilgrimage once in their Life-time: There are also several *Gaurs* at *Ispahan*. They pretend to seven Books, which *Ebrahimzer Ateucht* sent them from Paradise to instruct them in the true Religion; and seven more Containing the Interpretation of all Dreams; instead of Baptism they wash their Infants with Water, wherein they boyl certain Herbs, while the Priest says such a Number of Prayers: And the Ceremony of Marriage is performed by washing the Foreheads of both Parties with Water first blest by the *Cazi* or Priest; they acknowledge one God Creator of Heaven and Earth, and have a great veneration for Fire: Their *Cazi* give them some of the holy Fire for every Month, and to this Heavenly Element, as they call it, they appeal in their Oaths, and no Body is so hardy as to forswear himself before this Fire.

As to their Origin and Prophets, they say, the Father of their Prophet was a *Frank* by Nation, that his name was *Azer*, and add that

he was an Engraver by Trade, that he left his Country to settle among them at *Babylon*, where he Married a Wife called *Gaddon*, who being visited by an Angel sent from Paradise, was replenished with Celestial Light, of which she conceived and bore *Ebrahimzer Ateucht*: They say, the Astrologers of those Times foresaw his Birth, and acquainted a King called *Henbrout*, with it, who Commanded, that all Women with Child should be put to Death. But it not appearing to the Eye, that the Prophet's Mother was with Child, she escaped. The King of *Babylon* hearing she was brought to Bed, sent for the Child, and designed to have killed him immediately, but God withered his Arm: This making him enraged, he threw him into a violent Fire, where the Child, they say, rested, as on a Bed of Roses. They who began to Honour this supposed Prophet, took some of the Fire, kept it carefully and transmitted it to their Posterity, to preserve the Memory of this Miracle. But nothing being able to Convince the impious King, God chastised him for his Unbelief, in Plaguings his People with Flies, whose Sting was Mortal, one of which having Bit the King's Ear, he Dyed Mad: His Successor *Cha-Glotches*, did at first intend to persecute the Infant Prophet, but having seen the Miracles which he wrought, he adored him as the rest; but at length the Prophet retired out of the World; some say, he was taken Body and Soul into Heaven, others say he put himself into an Iron-Coffin, near *Bydet*, and that he was thus carried in Triumph by Angels: they believe that People will at last receive the Religion

of their Prophet, and that then will be the Universal Resurrection: Its easy to see, that these *Gaurs* have had a Confused knowledge of the Christian Religion: they pretend that when their Prophet arrived in Paradise God made use of him to transmit unto them seven Books, for their Instruction in the true Religion, that they received seven more afterwards containing the Explication of Dreams. And seven other Books with the secrets of Physick; but say, that *Alexander* the great having Conquered their Country, burnt the first, because none could interpret them, and carryed the rest away for his own use and add that the Priests and Doctors, who in those troublesome Times had retired unto the Mountains to save their Lives, met, after the Death of *Alexander*, and made a new Book, of what their Memory could furnish them with, out of what they had Read, and this is a great Volume Writ in a different Character, from the *Persian*, *Arabick* or *Indian*.

GEHENNA, properly Rack or Torment, *Jerom* gives us the true Origin of this Word, when he tells us, there was an Idol of *Baal*, near *Jerusalem*, in the valley called *Tophet*, which signifies a Drum, lest the People should hear the Cries of the Children, that were thrown into the fire, when they Sacrificed them unto Idols, this valley was also called *Gebenennon*, and by abbreviation *Geenon*, from *Ge*, which signifies a Valley, and *Ennon* that comes from *Nahom*, that signifies to Groan. Some are of Opinion that it was to *Moloch* the God of the *Ammonites* they Sacrificed their own Children, wherefore Hell, the place of

Eternal Fire is called *Gehenna*: The ancient Writers did not make use of this Word, and it was first used in the Gospel.

GENNAH, signifies Paradise amongst the *Mahometans*, who hold there are eight *Paradises*, and seven *Hells*, that is eight degrees of Blessedness for the Happy, and seven of Punishment for the Damned, by which Inequality, they would intimate, that the Mercy of God exceeds his Justice.

GIBARIANS, A Sect of *Mahometans*, who take away all Liberty from Man, and will have God to have necessarily created all the Good and bad Actions of Men: The *Ascharians* are a Branch of them, but will allow of some temperament.

GILBERTINES, A Religious Order of Monks and Nuns formerly in *England* and so denominated from one *Gilbert* of *Lincoln*, that increased in wickedness as much as in Numbers, whose rules were a Rapsody of those of *St. Auslin* and *St. Bennet*.

GILGUL, a word frequently repeated in the Books of the *Jews*, and signifies Rowling, for they believe that in whatever part of the World they happen to dye, out of the Land of *Canaan*, their Bodies must Rowl thither to come thence to the Judgment, wherefore a great many of them, when they find themselves draw near their End, draw as near as possibly they can to this Land, to have the less way to Rowl. They founded this Opinion on *Ezek.* 37. 12. See I will open your Graves and lead you to the Land of *Israel*. *Leo*, Rabbi of *Modena* understands this Rowling of a *Metempsychosis*, that some of the *Jews* believed.

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lieved according to *Pythagoras* his transmigration, or the Soul's travelling from one Body to another.

GIORHAMTES, An Antient Tribe of *Arabs* who deduce their name from one *Giorham*, the Father of them, they were formerly entrusted with the Care of the Temple of *Mecca*, and upon that Account they had a great many Quarrels with the *Ismaelites*: There is a Mountain near unto the City, called the Mountain of the *Giorhamites* whither the Tribe retired to Fortify themselves against their Enemies.

GIUS-CHON, In *Turkish*, a Reader of the *Alcoran*, of which there are Thirty in every Royal Mosque, that each of them read a Section of that Book, which being divided into that Number, the whole is Read every Day; this is done for the repose of those pious Souls, that leave Legacies for that purpose, and therefore the Readers stand generally near the Tombs or Graves of those they pray for.

GNOSIMACTI, A sort of Christian Hereticks, who condemned all manner of Inquisition after Knowledge, believing it of no use to those whom God only required good Actions.

GNOSTICKS, Christian Hereticks, that sprang out of the *Nicolaitans*, certain Hereticks, who believed two Principles, the one Good, and the Principle of Good, the other bad, the Author of Evil: They held the Soul to be the substance of God and denied the Divinity of Christ, saying only that God dwelt in him. They held the most unlawful pleasure of the Body to be good, &c. And defiled their Nocturnal meetings with all manner of obscene

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Impurities: Dr. *Hamond* is of Opinion, this heresy had its beginning in the Apostles Days, and that St. *Paul* alludes to them in 1 *Tim.* 6. 20. and in several other places.

GOEGNY, the name of a Sect of *Banians* in the *Indies*, who acknowledge God, whom they call *Bruin*, Creator of all things; they do not believe a transmigration of Souls as the other *Banians* do, but hope their Souls, after they leave their Bodies will, be effectually with God: They live retired and pray much, never frequent the Churches of other Sects nor have any Mosques of their own; they have a particular esteem for one *Mecis*, whom they call God's servant; they never Marry and are so superstitiously reserved, that they will not suffer a Woman to touch them.

GRACES, In the time of the Pagans these were three Fabulous Goddesses, represented young and Naked, attending *Venus*, called *Aglaia*, *Thalia* and *Euphrosine*, Daughters of *Jupiter*, and *Mercury's* Companions, they were also called *Charites* which see.

GULAL, the Cleansing of the Bath among the *Mahometans* after Copulation or Nocturnal Pollutions, till which a Man is called *Giunab*, i. e. his Prayers are abominable.

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HAFIZI, An *Arabick* word signifying *Keepers*, so called because they got the *Alcoran* by heart, and are looked upon by the *Mahometans* as Holy Men entrusted with God's Law.

HAGARENS, See *Ismaelites*.

HAGIOGRAPHIA i. e. Holy Writings,

Writings, a Word of great Antiquity in the Christian Church, and often used by St. Jerom, taken from the Custom of the Synagogues by which the Old Testament was divided into three parts, viz. *Moses's Law*, the Prophets and the *Hagiographia*; by which last he meant the *Psalms*, the *Proverbs*, *Job*, *Exra*, *Chronicles*, *Solomon's Song*, *Ruth*, *Ecclesiastes*, and *Esther*: The *Jews* reckon the Book of *Daniel* and the *Lamentations* among the *Hagiographia*, and not among the Prophets, for which *Theodoret* blames them: But it matters not much since they acknowledge those Books, which they call *Hagiographia* to be inspired by God, and part of the sacred Canon, as well as those of the first and second Order.

HAJETTI, or *Haidites*, A Mahometan Sect, derived from that of *Montaxali*, which holds that Christ assumed a True and Natural Body, and was the Eternal and Incarnate; and this is an Article of their Creed that God shall come to Judge the World on the last Day, for which they cite the Authority of the *Alcoran* in these Words: *thou Mahomet shall see that Lord return in the Clouds*. This, tho' they are afraid expressly, and in plain Terms to Interpret of Christ, yet they confidently affirm it to be Prophefied of the *Messiah*, and in discourse Confess, he can be no other but Christ, who shall again return with the same humane Flesh into the World, Reign Forty years on Earth, Confound Anri-christ, and then shall the World be at an End.

HAIRETI, or *Hairerites*, A Mahometan Sect, signifying amazed and Doubtful in Determination

of all Controversies, who can endure any thing rather than to Controvert Opinions, and dispute one Question in search after truth, they will neither undertake to perswade nor diswade, but like the *Academians* affirm, that falsity, may by the Wit, and Contrivance of Man, be drest in such a habit, as that it may not be distinguished from truth it self. On the Contrary that truth may be so disguised with *Sophistry*, as to be rendred as Deformed, and Ugly as falsehood: And therefore they conclude all Questions to be meerly probable, and no ways certainly Demonstrable: So that in Points of Dubious Controversies their Common sayings are *Allabi billur*. *God knows*, *Alla Kara Nuck*, *Its unknown to us*, and the like: As to the manner of their Lives and Practices, they are punctual observers of the Rights of the Mahometan Religion, and the Constitutions of the Civil Law, but much inclined to yield to the Course of their own Nature, and the force of Passion, they Drink Wine; not to appear finical and unfociable, but more generally addict themselves to Electuaries, composed of Opium, which tends to augment their Natural Stupefaction, and when they are overcome therewith, they readily yield to whatever you say, tho' never so Contradictory; not so much (as they Confess) from a perswasion, to one proposition more than another, but out of a Compliance to their Companions, which humour the Nature of their Sect allows of.

HAMADRYADES, among the Heathens were certain Divinities of Trees and Forest, who lived and dyed with them, as fabulous Antiquity

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Antiquity tells us. Notwithstanding the Respect the Pagans had for the *Hamadryades*, was but a kind of Worship rendered to some intelligent Divinity, or some *Genius*, whom they fancied to be present, or residing in these Trees.

HAMBELIANS, *Himbelle*, or *Hambalites*, one of the four Antient Orthodox Sects among the *Mahometans*, still to be found among some *Arabians*; it's so called from *Hambeli*, the first Author of it. See *Haniffe*.

HANIFFE, One of the four Orthodox Sects, among the *Mahometans*, and is profest in *Turkey*, *Tartary*, *Eusbec* and on the other side, of *Jebun*, *Baſtorus* and *Oxus*; the other three being called *Shafſee*, *Malechee*, and *Hambelle*, which you may see under their Respective Heads: The differences between them being only in Ceremonies, Washings, Prayers, Postures, &c.

HARAM, A thing forbidden by the *Mahometan* Law, and is of a Contrary signification to the Word *Halal*: Its also a sacred thing, an Entrance into which is not permitted to all sorts of People: A Sanctuary like that of *Mecca* according to the same Belief of the *Mahometans*, and the Temple of *Medina*, and the Tomb of their false Prophet, bears this Name, they calling them both *Haramani* and in the Genetive *Harauni*, which is the Dual Number of *Haram*.

HEALTH, A Heathen Diety see *Sanitas*.

HECATE, A Pagan Diety, called *Luna* in Heaven, *Diana* on Earth, and *Hecate* or *Proserpina* in Hell, some represented her with three Heads, a *Nags* head on the Right,

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a *Dogs* head on the Left, and a *Wild Boar's* in the middle: Others represented her with a dreadful Countenance, her Head attired with Serpents, and was invoked in *Magick*, they Sacrificing *Victims* to her, the Blood whereof was shed in a Ditch, digged in the Ground for that purpose. She was called *Trivia* because her Image was set upon Cross-ways, either because of the Noise that was made in the Night, to imitate the howling of *Ceres*, looking after *Proserpina*, or because she was the *Moon* in Heaven, *Diana*, &c. as before mentioned: Her Name, according to *Servius*, is derived from the Greek *Hecaton*, a Hundred; either because 100 Sacrifices were wont to be offered her, or because she detained the Souls of unburied People, an Hundred years, on this side *Styx*.

HECATOMB, A Greek word signifying a Sacrifice of a Hundred Oxen, performed by the antient Pagans. *Strabo* relates, that this Sacrifice came from the *Lacedemonians*, who having a Hundred Towns in their Country, Sacrificed every year a Hundred Oxen, in Honour of their false Divinities, but the Charges of these Sacrifices being too great, they were reduced to Five and Twenty Oxen, for they fancied by a Childish Cunning, that each of those Oxen having four Feet, that was enough to keep up the Name of *Hecatombs*, to these Sacrifices, to keep to the Number of a Hundred in these Parts: But afterwards they offered other four Footed Beasts, easier to be got than Oxen, as She-Goats, and Lambs, and *Pythagoras*, who believed the transmigration of Souls, contented himself to offer a *Hecatomb* of

of a Hundred of Oxen artificially made of Paste.

HEGIRA, or *Hegrah*; properly signifies the flight of *Mahomet* the false Impostor, being the time when he with his *Profelytes*, withdrew from *Mecca*, to avoid the Persecutions of the *Chorasites*, who were the strongest Party in that City, and could not endure that *Mahomet* should abolish their Idolatry with his new Doctrine: This his flight happened to be the fourteenth year after he had taken upon him, the Sanction of a Prophet, and God's Messenger. It happened at Noon-day, according to some Authors, and with but a few Companions; but the same was followed by many more, who did not think themselves safe at *Mecca*. He retired to *Medina*, and arrived there on the Twelfth of the Month *Kabi al aoual*, which is the third of the *Lunar Arabick Year*, that Consequently Consists of three Hundred and Fifty four Days: Indeed the *Mahometans* begin their *Hegira* in the Month of *Mobaram* aforegoing, which agrees with the Sixteenth of *July* in the Year of our Lord 622. Which we are obliged to take notice of in order to fix the Epoch of the Years of the *Hegira*, which may be called the *Mahometan Æra*, and from whence they compute their Time: And this is conform to the Opinion of the best *Chronologists*, tho' others have differed from it: However we may here observe, that the *Mahometans* thought fit to signalize their *Æra* or Computation of Years, by the most memorable Persecution which they had suffered.

HELIOGABALUS, A *Phenician* Idol, being a great Black *Pyramidical* Stone, with some Parts

of it rough: They Worshipped it for an Image of the Sun, because it had several shapes on it, which they alledged to be above human Art.

HELLENISTS, or *Grecyzing Jews*, such as were *Jews* by Parentage, but lived dispersed in most of the Provinces of the *Roman Empire*, reading the Scriptures in the *Septuagint Version*, and performing all publick Offices in *Greek*; otherwise as strict in their Sabbath-keeping, as tenacious of their Circumcision, and of the other Rites and Ceremonies of the Law of *Moses*, as the *Jews* of *Palestine*, and therefore scorned and derided by the *Gentiles*, among whom they lived. *Credat Judeus appella*, says one of their Poets, speaking of the Jewish Circumcision. *Remittaque sabbata palles*, says another of them in derision of their Sabbaths. *Novilis Ritus cateris mortalibus contrarii*, says *Tacitus*, a grave Author of the whole body of their Rituals or Acts of Worship: These *Hellenists* very much esteemed a Jewish Temple, built in After-ages by *Onias* the High-Priest, at *Heliopolis* in *Egypt*, tho' not without the imputation of being Schismatical, as to its first Original.

HEPTATEUCH, the First Part of the Bible, containing the two Books of *John* and *James*, with the *Pentateuch* or five Books of *Moses*; for *Ives* of *Chartres*, *Epist.* 38. says, That they were commonly joined together, and quoted under that Name.

HERACLEON, an *Herefiarch*, *Valentine's* Disciple, in the second Century of *Christianity*; he ordered his Clergy to anoint the Dead with a particular Oil and Balsam, affirming

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affirming that this lessened their Pains.

HERESIARCH, the Chief of some *Hereticks*, or the Author of an *Heresy*, &c.

HERES MARTIA, among the *Romans*, was the Goddess of Heirs, reputed one of *Mars* his Companions, and surnamed *Martial*, because of the frequent occasions given to War by Inheritances and Successions: As soon as an Inheritance fell to any body, he went immediately to pay Homage and sacrifice to this Goddess, and to thank her.

HERESY; the Word originally signifies only Choice, and it was used formerly to denote a Sect, thus *St. Paul* said, he was of the Heresie, that is, of the Sect of the *Pharisees*, but now Heresy is taken in an ill sense, and thereby is meant a fundamental Error in Religion, however, that Error must be followed by Obstinacy, and no Man is called *Heretick*, unless he be obstinate in his Opinion.

HERCULES, the Son of *Jupiter*, by *Alcmena*, and Born at *Thebes* in *Beotia*; and by the Envy of *Juno*, narrowly escaped Death in his Infancy. I shall not mention his Twelve Labours and other Exploits, only that they Entituled him, after his Death, to be ranked among the number of the Gods, by the ignorant Pagans; and to appease *Juno*, that he married her Daughter *Hebe*, the Goddess of Youth: Indeed the Ancients Moralize the Fable thus; by *Hercules*, they meant the Strength and Reason of Philosophy, which subdues and conquers our irregular Passions, and by his Marriage with the Goddess of Youth, they would insinuate that the Memory of Men of Learning and Courage, would be

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always fresh and fragrant; the Ancients acknowledged many *Hercules*, some three, some four; *Varro* reckons forty three, which were usually confounded one with another, of whom the *Egyptian Hercules* is so like *Joshua*, by his History and great Actions, that the Scriptures saith of one, and *Prophane History* of the other, that Heaven, in their favour, rained Stones to destroy their Enemies: As there were diverse *Hercules*, so they were worshiped in different places, after various ways and Representations, and had Temples erected to them; that of *Hercules* at *Rome*, being built near the *Circus Magnus*.

HERMANUBIS, an *Egyptian* Idol composed of *Mercury*, called *Hermes*; and *Anubis* represented as a Man, having a Sparrow-Hawk's Head, and a *Caduceus* in his Hand, or most commonly with a Dog's Head, which signifies hawking or hunting, because *Anubis* delighted much in those Pastimes: Some were in Senator's Cloaths holding the *Caduceus* with the Left-hand, and the *Egyptian Sistrum* in the Right. *Tertullian* mentions this Idol.

HERMAPHRODITE, an Idol of the Ancient Heathens, of both Sexes, composed of *Mercury*, called *Hermes*, and *Venus*, named *Aphrodite*, to join Eloquence with Pleasure, or to shew that they made *Venus* to be of both Sexes, for *Calvus* calls her a God.

Potentemque Deum venerem.

And *Virgil*, in the second Book of his *Aeneids*,

*Discedo, ac ducente Deo, flamma inter
Expedior Hostes,*

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And indeed her Statue near *Amathus*, in the Isle of *Cyprus*, was to be seen with a Beard like a Man; such extravagant Conceptions the poor Heathens had of their supposed Deities: As for the Poets Fable of uniting *Salmacis* with *Hermaphroditus*, whose Love she could not obtain; they would intimate thereby, only the Effects of Love, whose end is to unite Hearts.

HERMES, A Sur-Name given to *Mercury*, which See.

HERM-HERACLES, A Heathen Diety, represented like the *Hermæ*, with the Lyons Skin; and the Massy Club of *Hercules*; the *Greeks* called him *Heracles*, which had reference to the Antient Custom of the *Grecians*, who erected the Statue of *Mercury* and *Hercules* in the *Academies*, because both presided over the Exercises of Youth. And this Union, shewed also that strength must be backed with Eloquence, and that Eloquence, had the Art of overcoming Monsters. *Mercury*, by the *Athenians*, was often exprest by a square Figure of an unpolished Stone, upon which they set up the Head of any other God whatsoever, and the Origin of this Custom was that in Ancient Times, the Statues of *Mercury* were placed on a square *Basis*, to shew the Solidity of the Works of Art, and especially of Eloquence made to be his Invention; wherefore in series of Time, those square *Basis* were taken for his representation, tho' there were no Statues whatsoever, set upon them, because these *Bases* were peculiar to him, but afterwards to honour the Statues of their other Dieties, they placed them on these *Bases*, to shew that they

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were famous only by *Mercury*, whose Chief business they made to be, carrying their Errands, and Executing their Orders; and the whole Figure of these two Gods Joyned together was called by the Name of the Diety, whose Figure was set upon the *Basis*, wherefore *Herm-Heracles* was the Figure of *Hercules*, placed upon the Representation of *Mercury*.

HERM-EROS, A Statue of Brass, representing a false Diety, among the Heathens, made up of *Mercury*, and *Cupid*, called *Eros* by the *Greeks*, he was set out by the Figure of a young Boy, holding the *Caduceus*, and the Purse, the two Badges of *Mercury*; by which some of the wiser sort of the Ancients undoubtedly intimated; that Eloquence, and Money were the necessary things for a Lover.

HERM-HARPOCRATES; A Statue of the Heathens composed of *Mercury* and *Harpocrates* the God of silence, with Wings at his Heels like *Mercury*, and holding his Finger upon his Mouth like *Harpocrates*, to shew that silence sometimes is Eloquent, especially amongst Lovers, who often express themselves better with their Eyes, than by word of Mouth.

HERMITS, A Name given at first to the Primitive Christians, who retired to desert places to avoid Persecution, and gave themselves up to Fasting, Meditation and Prayer: The words come from *ἔρημος*, A Desert or Wilderness: They were also called *Anchorets* from *Ἀναχωρεῖν*, to withdraw. Such were *St. Paul*, the Hermit *St. Anthony*, &c. But upon the ceasing of Persecution, most of these Hermits, settled in Mo-

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Monasteries, built in Towns, from whom came the Names of Monks: The first Hermits Life was very rigid, they having but a dark Cave for Lodging; nothing but Roots, Water and Palm-leaves for Food, Drink and Cloaths, and fasted often; besides, some Monks have resumed this Name of *Hermits*, as the *Hermits* of *St. Jerom* and *St. Austin*.

HERMOGENES, an *African Heretick* among the *Christians*, about 170, who foolishly taught, That the Matter of the World was Co-eternal with God, and not made by him, with other Heresies.

HERODIANS, a Sect of *Jews*, who believed that *Herod* was the *Messiah* promised by the Prophets, because the Scepter was departed from *Judah*, when he came to the Crown.

HEROES, a Name given anciently by the Heathens, to illustrious Men, otherwise called Demi-Gods, because they believed their great Actions exalted them after their Deaths to *Heaven*; there were two sorts of them, of which, some pretended to no higher than an Humane Original, as *Julius Caesar*, &c. but others of a Nobler Extraction, having a God or Goddess by Father or Mother's side, as *Hercules*: *St. Austin* says, 'Tis very true that *Juno* had a Son, whose Name was *Heroe*, because, that according to the Opinion of the Ancients, vertuous Persons, after their decease, inhabited that vast expanse of Air, which were *Juno's* Dominion, according to the Fable. The Worship the Ancients paid unto these Heroes, after their Deaths, was inferior to that given to the Celestial Gods.

HERTA, a pretended Deity adored by the Ancient Germans in

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the Isle of *Rugen*. *Tacitus* says, that there was a sacred Cart, covered with a Carpet in the middle of a Wood, with a Priest, who knowing the time of the coming of the Goddess; the Cart was drawn by wild Oxen to the Temple, the Priest followed all the way with profound Reverence, and the Officers of the Ceremony, who were ordinary Servants, were thrown into the adjoining Lake as Victims; there is still to be seen a thick Wood, where there is a Lake full of Fishes, because Fisher-men dare not fish therein. It's the Opinion of many good Authors, that in *Rugen*, and almost all *Germany*, they anciently offered such Sacrifices to the Goddess *Herta*. *Hoffman* is of Opinion, that it was the Earth which the Germans worshipped, under the Name of *Herta*, whence the Name *Earth*, and *Stone-herge* on *Salisbury Plain*, was a Temple dedicated to her, and therefore made, as it were, to hang in the Air like her: He says, they represented her like a Woman having a Castle or Tower upon her head, because the Earth supports such, and drawn in a Chariot by wild Oxen or Lyons, because the Mother of such: Her Festivals being generally solemnized in the Night, he alledges, that from hence the *English* Custom came of reckoning by the Night, as *Sevensnight*, *Fortnight*, &c. He further adds, That the Earth being worshipped under several denominations, as *Isis*, &c. Hence that Name was given to several *English Rivers*.

HESUS, a Heathen Deity in esteem among the Ancient *Gauls*, as *Mars* was among the *Romans*. *Caesar* says, that the *Gauls*, in the beginning of a Battle, devoted, as

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a Sacrifice to him the first Enemy they should take in the Fight. *Bochart* says, that *Hessus* signified a strong man, as *Hizzus* in *Hebrew*; by the *Germans* he was called *Her*, hence *Hesday* or *Tuesday*.

HESYCHASTES, a Name given to Christian Monks, in *Greek*, *ἠσυχασταί* from *ἡσυχάζειν*, to live in tranquillity.

HEXAPLA, a Book containing the *Hebrew* Text of the Bible, writ in *Hebrew* and *Greek* Characters, with the Translations of the *Septuagint*, of *Aquila*, *Theodocion* and *Symmachus*, in six several Columns. There was added to it a fifth Translation, found at *Fericho*, without the Author's Name; and a sixth named *Nicopolitum*, because found at *Nicopolis*: *Origen* joined to it a Translation of the *Psalms*, but still the Book retained the Name of *Hexapla*, because the fifth and sixth Translations were only of certain Books of the Bible, and so the same Book of *Origen* had but six Columns in diverse places, eight in some, and nine in the *Psalms*. Others are of opinion, that the two Columns of the *Hebrew* Text were not reckoned; and that the Translation of the *Psalms*, was not to be considered so, as to give a new Name to the Book, when the Edition contained only the Translation of the *Septuagint*, *Aquila*, *Theodosion*, and *Symmachus*; it was called *Tetrapla*, and the Name of *Octapla*, was sometime given to the eight Versions, that is, to the Collections containing the Translations of *Ferico* and *Nicopolis*. *Rufinus*, speaking of this elaborate Work, affirms, that *Origen* undertook it, because of the continual Controversies between the *Jews* and *Christians*; and the *Jews* citing the *Hebrew*, and the *Christi-*

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ans the *Septuagint* in their Disputes this Father was willing to let the *Christians* understand how the *Jews* read the Bible; and to this end, he laid the Versions of *Aquila*, and some other *Greek* Translations before them, which had been made from the *Hebrew*: But few People being able to buy so great a Work, *Origen* undertook to abridge it, and for that purpose, published a Version of the *Septuagint*, to which he added some Supplements, taken out of *Theodotion's* Translation, in the Places where the *Septuagint* had not rendred the *Hebrew* Text; and whose Supplements were marked with an Asterism. He added also a small Line like a Spirit, where the *Septuagint* had something that was not in the *Hebrew* Text.

HHATIB, The Name of those who are Curates among the *Mahometans*, which answers to our Rector, or Parsons of Parishes; this Person standing upon some high place, reads such a *Suratte* or Chapter of the *Alcoran*, as he thinks fit, keeping the longest, for *Fridays*, because the service of that Day (which is their Sabbath) is longer and more filled up with Adorations and Prostrations, than any other day.

HIERARCHY, Signifies in the Original, a Holy Principality, from *Ἱερά* (☉), Holy and *ἄρχη* Empire or Principality, and now more Eminently, applyed to the Pope, who pretends to be Head of the Church, upon Earth; there is also an *Hierarchy* in some of the Reformed Churches, where there are Bishops, Archbishops, and Bishops, &c. This is likewise the Name of a Book ascribed to be the Supposititious *St. Demys*, distinguishing all the Angels into three Hierar-

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Hierarchies, and each Hierarchy, into three Quires or Orders; the first Contains the three Quires of *Seraphims, Cherubims, and Thrones*: The second, contains the Dominions, Powers and Principalities; and the third, Comprehends the Virtues, the Archangels, and Angels of the last Order.

HIEROPHANTES, *Athenian* Priests among the Heathens, who were the Overseers of Sacrifices and Holy things. *St. Jerom* says, they used to drink some *Hemlock* to curb their Desires, and keep themselves Chast.

HIEROGLYPHICKS, Signifies commonly sacred Images, or Figures used by the Ancient *Egyptians* to express the Principal Doctrines of their Divinity, and other Moral and Political Sciences, which were represented on Stones, *Obelisks* or *Pyramids*, and this *Hieroglyphick* Science was always a Mystery among them: The wisest Men of *Greece* went to Consult them, and even *Moses* himself, was instructed in all the Sciences of the *Egyptians*; there are also *Hieroglyphicks* in the *Theology* of the *Pagans, Jews, and Christians*, because they are only Images and Representations of Divine, Holy, and Supernatural things, as the Symbols are Images of sensible and natural things.

HILARIA, Certain Festivals of Rejoycings, taken from the *Greeks*, by the *Romans*, who celebrated them on the 25th of *March*, in honour of the Mother of the Gods, tho' all the Feasts among these Heathens were Days of Rejoycings, these were particularly named so, because they were Celebrated with more Joy and Magnificence; and during that Day, it was Lawful for any Man to

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take what Mark or Dignity he pleased.

HILLELS, The Name of many famous *Jews*, which has deceived several learned Authors of our Age, who believed that the Manuscript Coppy of *Hillel's* Bible, which is sometimes marked in the *Hebrew* Manuscript Bibles, was Written by an Ancient *Hillel*; *Skikardus* was of opinion, it was Writ at the *Jews* return from their Captivity. *Cuneus* attributes it to another *Hillel*, That Sixty Years before *Christ's* Nativity, the *Jews* also made it very Ancient; but *Father Morin*, who had seen some Manuscript Bibles where the different Sections of *Hillel's* Bible were Marked in the Margin, makes it but Five Hundred Years Old. However, this *Hillel* seems not to be one of those Ancient *Hillel's*, since he speaks of things not talked of then: There is also a famous *Talmudist* Named *Hillel*, opposed to another Doctor called *Saunci*, which two divided the *Jews*, each of them having his Disciples. *St. Jerom* sometimes mentions him in his Works.

HIPPOCRATION, Heathen Festivals kept in honour of *Neptune*: *Dionysius Halicarnassens* reports, that the *Romans* erected a Temple to *Neptune* the Horseman, and instituted a Festival to him, called by the *Arcadians*, *Hippocratia*, but the *Romans*, *Consualia*. Horses and Mules were kept from Working, during that Day, and led along the Streets of *Rome* Magnificently Harnessed, and adorned with Garlands of Flowers. See *Consualia*.

HIPPONA, a Heathen Divinity honoured by all Grooms in Stables, where her Figure was kept.

This Goddess was invoked on the account of Horses.

H O N O U R, a Pagan Divinity always represented with Virtue, for which reason no Man could get into the Temple of Honour, but by passing first through the Temple of Virtue, whereby the Ancients wisely enough represented to us, that Honour proceeded from Virtue, and for this purpose *Marcellus* built two Temples Joyned together at Rome, one to Virtue and the other to Honour, because true Honour arises from solid Virtue: These two Divinities are represented on the Medals of *Vitellius* by two Engraven Figures; one of which stands the Rightside Half naked, holding an half Pike in one Hand, and a Horn of Plenty in the other, with a Helmet under her Foot. The other Figure is on the Left, having a Helmet on, and holding a Scepter with the Right-hand, and a Dart with the Left, treading upon a Tortoise, with this Inscription, *Honos & Virtutes*.

HOCEN, The Eldest Son of *Hali*, second Successor of the false Prophet *Mahomet*, according to the Sect of the *Persians*, who do believe that *Mahomet's* succession did belong to *Hali*, his Nephew, and Son in Law, and not to *Abubeker*, as the *Turks* say. *Hussien* was the second Son of *Hali*, and slain in the Battle of *Herbella*, near *Babylon*: These two Brothers are still much revered amongst the *Persians*, who keep their Holy-Day every Year with great Solemnity till the Evening; the People Crying out *Hussien Hocen, Hocen, Hussien* the form of the Solemnity is thus. The People divided into several Com-

panies, march by the Gallery where the King is set to see the Ceremony, each Company has a Litter, with a Coffin carried by 8 Men, and covered with Sattin, Embroydered with Gold: Before each are three led Horses, whose housings is of the same, to represent the Horses on which the Princes rode: The King Graces the Solemnity, by shewing the Elephants, which have been presented to him, all Covered with such housings: An Officer with the Royal Standard being mounted upon one of them, the Elephants salute the *Sophy* by putting their *Proboscis* to the Ground, and Scradling out with their Feet, after which the Doctor of the Law, Discourses on the Death of *Hocen* and *Hussien*, and the *Sophy* presents him with a Magnificent Suit.

HOMAR or Omar, a Relation of the Impostor *Mahomet*, and an Interpreter of his Law, opposed by *Hali Mahomet's* Son in Law's Opinions concerning the Interpretation of the *Alcoran*, from whence arose two Chief Sects; the one of the *Arabians* who followed Omar, and the other of the *Persians* that followed *Hali*: About 1370, *Sophy*, King of *Persia*, took the Red Turban to be distinguished from the Sect of the *Turks*, and the other *Homarists*, who wear the white.

HOMMES d'Intelligence, or Men of understanding, the Name of a Sect of *Christian Hereticks*, who appeared in *Picardy* An 1412. Fr. *William de Hillernissen*, a German Carmelite, Fryar, and a Lay-singing Man Named *Gilles*, were the Chief of them; the last wickedly affirmed, that he was the Saviour of Men, and that by him the Faithful should see *Jesus Christ*,

as by *Jesus Christ*, they should see God the Father, that the Bodily pleasures being Natural Actions, were no sins, but some foretastes of Paradise: that the Ancient Law was the time of the Father, the New Law, the time of the Son, and that there should be shortly a Third Law, which should be the time of the Holy Ghost, who would put Men into a full Liberty: But this Fryar having recanted his Error at *Brussels*, *Cambray* and *St. Quintin*, this Sect vanished.

HORDULES, they were Festivals among the Ancient Heathen *Romans*, so called because they then Sacrificed Cows with young, Named by the *Latins* *Horde*: These Feasts might be celebrated, even on the Days, which they called *Unhappy*, during which all other Sacrifices were forbidden.

HORTA, Otherwise called *Angerona* and *Stimula*, a Heathen Goddess among the Ancient *Romans*, who, as they believed, took care to exhort, and by secret Motions, inclined People to laudable Actions; she was also the Goddess of Youth, perhaps, because Youth is full of Vigour, which is necessary to do good: Her Temple at *Rome*, was never shut up to intimate that Men ought to be encouraged to Virtue, all the days of their Lives.

HOSANNA, Signifies as much as *Save now*. The *Jews* call their Feast of Tabernacles *Hosanna Rabbas*, i. e. the great *Hosanna*; the Origin of that Word is, because that on that Day, they pray for the Salvation and forgiveness of all the Sins of the People: Therefore they use the Word *Hosanna* in all their Prayers; which Im-

plys, *save I pray*, according to *Buxtorf*: But *Anthony Nebrissenfis* observes, after *Rabbi Elias*, that the *Jews* call the Willow Branches, which they carry at the Feast, *Hosanna*, because they sing *Hosanna*, shaking them every where in Ceremony, which the same *Nebrissenfis* applies to the *Jews*, who received *Jesus Christ*, as the *Messias*, singing *Hosanna*, and thereby signifying, that they did carry before him some Willow-Palm, and other Branches: And *Grotius* observes, that the Feasts of the *Jews*, did not only signify their going out of *Egypt*, the memory of which they Celebrated, but also the Expectation of the *Messias*, and that still on the Day, when they carry those Branches, they wish'd to Celebrate that Feast at the coming of the *Messias*, from whence he concludes that the People Carrying those Branches, before our Saviour, shewed their Joy, acknowledging him to be the *Messias*.

HORUS, The Son of *Isis*, in whose Name the Sun was adored by the Heathen *Egyptians*.

HOSTILINA, A Goddess to whom the Pagans attributed the care of Corn; when the last Ears grew up as high as the rest, and the Surface of the Harvest did become even.

HOUANCES, otherwise *Houances*, A Sect of wandering *Mahometans* in *Arabia*, dwelling in Tents, as the *Arabs* do; they have a particular Law by which they are Commanded to perform their Ceremonies, and Prayers under a Pavillion, without any Light; and afterwards they Couple with the first Woman or Maid they can meet. There are some of them

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at *Alexandria*, but hide themselves because they are Burnt alive if they be known: The word in *Arabick*, signifies a wicked, Lascivious and Abominable Man.

HUSSITES, The followers of *John Huss* of *Bohemia* who maintained *Wickliff* and the *Waldenses's* Opinions in 1407 with wonderful Zeal: The Emperor *Sigismund* sent to him, to perswade him to defend his Doctrine, before the Council of *Constance*, which he did *An.* 1414. having obtained a Pass-board, and an Assurance of a safe Conduct from the Emperor: There were Seven Months spent in examining him, and two Bishops were sent into *Bohemia*, to inform themselves of the Doctrine he Preached, and for his firm Adherence to the same, he was Condemned, to be Burnt alive, with his Books which was Executed in 1418, contrary to the Emperor's safe Conduct, which the Council of *Constance* basely said, he was not bound to keep, to a Heretick. His followers believed, that the Church consisted only of the predestinated to Glory, and that the Reprobates were no part of it: That the Condemnation of the Five and Forty Articles of *Wickliff*, was wicked and Unreasonable; *Moreri* adds, that they partly afterwards subdivided, and opposed both their Bishops and Secular Princes in *Bohemia*, where, if we must take his word, they were the occasion of great Disorders and Civil Commotions in the XV Century.

HYACINTHIDES, The Six Daughters of *Erichtheus* King the *Athens*, having got this Surname from the Village *Hyacinthus*, where they suffered them-

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selves to be immolated, for the good of their Country, for which Reason, Heathenish Superstition placed them in the Number of the Goddesses, with their Father; and by way of excellency they were called Maidens, because they dyed Virgins.

HYDROMANTIA, South-saying performed by way of Water, wherein the Images of the Heathen Dieties were thought to be seen: *Varro* tells us, That this kind of Divination was found out by *Perseus*; That *Numa* and *Pythagoras* after him, made use of it, and that thereby Spirits were also Conjured up by his Spilling Blood; but there being more of Magick than Religion in this, we leave it.

HYMANTES, A Name given to those Penitents in the *Latin* Church, that were excluded the Christian Assemblies, and stood before the Door, wearing an hair Cloath, and intreating those that went into the Church to intercede for them.

HYMENEUS, Said to be the Son of *Bacchus* by *Venus*, and a Fabulous Divinity of the Pagans, presiding over Marriages; and therefore invoked by the Pagans in their Wedding Songs: He was represented in the shape of a Young Man, with a Torch in his hand.

HYMENEUS, A Heretick in the Infancy of Christianity, excommunicated by *St. Paul.* 1. *Tim.* Cap. 1 and 2. he affirmed that the Resurrection was already accomplished.

HYPOSTASIS, A Theological Christian Term, for the true knowledge of the Meaning of which, 'tis requisite to understand the Councils: The *Greeks* took it

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for the *Person*, and the *Latins* for the *Substance*; so the *Greeks* said, there were three *Hypostases*, that is, three *Persons* in one *Essence*; and the *Latins*, that there was but one *Hypostasis*; that is, as they pretended, but one *Substance* in three *Persons*. *Athanasius* shewed them in the Council held at *Alexandria* in 362, that they all said the same thing, and that all the difference was, that they gave to the same Word two different Significations: And thus he reconciled them together. In this place the word *Hypostasis* signifies two things, first, the Existence of a thing consider'd abstractedly: Secondly, the same thing which subsists by it self, by a sort of particular and peculiar existence: Now when the Fathers say there are three *Hypostases* in the God-head, their meaning is, That the God-head has three several Modes of Existence in the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, notwithstanding they were equal; but when they say there is but one *Hypostasis*, that gives us to understand, that the Nature of the Son and the Holy Spirit is not different from that of the Father, and then it is that they take the term of *Hypostasis* in the latter sense.

HYPSISTARIANS, *Hereticks* in the fourth Century of *Christianity*, according to *Gregory Nazianzen*, who made a mixture of the *Jewish* Religion and Paganism, for they worshipped Fire with the Pagans, and observed the Sabbath, and Legal Abstinence from Meats with the *Jews*.

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JABAIAH, a Modern *Mahometan* Sect, which denies God's Om-

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niscience, affirming that God governs the World by Chance and Accidents, not comprehending from Eternity, or at the Creation of the World, a perfect certainty of particular Affairs, that were to be transacted in it; and that God improves in Knowledge, by Time, as Men do by constant Practice and Experience, which is horrid Blasphemy.

JABARI, or *Giabari*, an Ancient *Mahometan* Sect, great Enemies to the *Kadari*, and maintain, that Man hath no Power over his own Will and Actions, but is wholly influenced by a superior Agent, and that God hath Power over his Creatures, to design them to Happiness or Misery, as seems him best; and in explaining this Opinion, they proceed most rigorously to say, That Man is wholly necessitated and compelled in all his Actions; and that neither his Will nor Power, nor Election is in himself; and that God creates his Actions in him, as he does in inanimate and Vegetable Creatures: The first Principle of them is Life and Essence, and as the Tree may be said to produce Fruit, the Water to run, the Stone to move downwards, so are the Actions in Man, for which there is a Reward and Punishment, properly and necessarily allotted.

JACCUS, one of *Bacchus's* Names. See *Bacchus*.

JACOB, a *Hungarian*, and Chief of the Sect of the *Shepherds*: It's said, that in his Youth he entred into the Christian Order of the *Cislerians*, and afterwards turned *Mahometan*; but this, others deny, and say, he only promised the Sultan of *Egypt* to depopulate *France*; he spoke several Languages very well, and assuming to

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himself the Name of a Prophet, he preached up a holy War for the recovery of the Holy Land, and to revenge the Quarrel of the King St. Lewis; in which War he affirmed, only poor People were to be made use of, for the greater manifestation of the Power of God, in confounding worldly Powers by the weakest means: He boasted that he conversed with the Blessed Virgin, and Angels in Visions, and represented them on Banners which his Company carried, and upon his own, was pictured a Lamb holding a Cross, followed by a great number of Shepherds and Husband-men; he divided them into Regiments and Companies, and appointed Officers over them, which he called Masters, while he himself was stiled the Master of Hungary; they entered into Amiens in Picardy 30000 strong, in 1251; after which, Jacob went to Paris, where he took upon him to Consecrate Ho'y Water, and to preach in sacerdotal Vestments: His Followers being increased to near a hundred thousand People, they pretended to separate in order to take Shipping in different Places. Jacob with his reserve, was received at Orleans as a Prophet, in spite of the Bishop's Prohibitions, from whence going to Bourges, he there endeavoured, in vain, to seduce the People, near which City he and most of his Men were slain, and Multitudes more of them being slain or hanged in other Places, this Faction scarce survived Jacob's death.

JACOBINS, see *Dominicans*.

JACOBITES, or *Jacobins*, Eastern Christians, so denominated from Jacob Bardeus, a Syrian, the Disciple of Eutyches and Dioscorus,

whose Heresie he spread so much in Asia and Africa, in the beginning of the sixth Century, that at last in the seventh, the different Sect of the *Eutychians* were swallowed up by that of the *Jacobites*, which also comprehended all the *Monophysites* of the East, i. e. such as acknowledged only one Nature, and that the Human, in Christ, in which Latitude it included the *Armenians* and *Abyssines*: They deny the Trinity, and make the Sign of the Cross with one Finger, to vindicate there is but one Person; they Baptize by applying a hot Iron to the Children's Fore-heads, after they have circumcised them, founding that Practice upon the Words of John the Baptist, quoted by St. Matthew, Chap. 3. *He will baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with Fire.* Their Asian Patriarch resides at Caramit, in Mesopotamia; Alexandria is the See of the African one, and he follows the Errors of Dioscorus and the *Cophti*. M. Simon relates, that under the Name of *Jacobins*, must be included all the *Monophysites* of the East, whether *Armenians*, *Cophti*, or *Abyssines*, acknowledging but one Nature in Christ; he adds the Number of the *Jacobins*, properly so called, is but small, there not being above thirty or forty Thousand Families of them, which principally inhabit Syria and Mesopotamia; they are divided among themselves, one part embracing, and the other disowning the Communion of the Church of Rome: These last are not all united, having two opposite Patriarchs, one at Caramit, and the other at Drazapharan; besides these two, he says, there is one of the same Opinion with the *Latins*, residing at Aleppo.

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JAFFER-EL-SCHADER, the sixth High-Priest, *Mahomet's* Successor in the Sect of the *Persians*, or *Schiai's*; he ordered that any *Christian*, *Jew*, or *Idolater*, turning *Mahometan*, should enjoy the whole Estate of the Family, and might allow his Father or Mother only what he pleased; hence it happen'd that many *Armenians*, *Georgians*, and other *Christians* living in *Persia*, have turned *Mahometans* for filthy Lucre sake.

St. JAMES, called the *Greater*, *Zebedee's* Son, was called with his Brother *John*, by our Saviour *Christ*, to the Apostleship, who named them both *Boanerges*, i. e. the Sons of Thunder. *Herod Agrippa*, to please the *Jews*, caused this Holy Apostle to be beheaded: Some say, his Accuser was Converted to see this Holy Man die with so much Constancy, and others add, that he baptized *Phygellus*, and *Hermogenes*, both *Magicians*, tho' they both afterwards altered their Faith, as *St. Paul* says in his second Epistle to *Timothy*; This *James* was the first Martyr among the Apostles, and suffered *An. Dom. 41*. The *Spaniards* pretend he was their Apostle, with no just Authority, and make him to be their Protector-Saint.

St. James, called the *Less*, in Scripture the *Just*, and the Brother, that is to say, Cousin German of the Lord, and an Apostle; was the Son of *Alpheus*, and the Apostle *St. Jude's* Brother. He is said to have been chosen Bishop of *Jerusalem*, and in that Quality, was President of the Council held by the Apostles at *Jerusalem* in 49 or 50: *St. Paul* calls him one of the Pillars of the Church, and his Life was so holy, that *Josephus* looks upon the Destruction of *Jerusa-*

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lem, as a punishment inflicted upon the *Jews* for putting him to death: *Ananas II.* High Priest, condemned him and delivered him up to the People: *Eusebius* reports from *Hegeſippus*, that the *Jews* compelling him publicly to renounce the Doctrine of *Christ*, he defended it on the steps of the Temple, with such wonderful Constancy, that the enraged *Pharisees*, his Capital Enemies, threw him down headlong, where his Brains were dashed out with a Fuller's Club. So having govern'd his Church about twenty nine Years, he received the Crown of Martyrdom in 62. We have an Epistle of his in our Hands, directed to the Faithful, dispersed among the *Jews*: Besides which, there is a *Liturgy* in several Editions of the Works of the Fathers, and is said to have been Authorized by the Testimony of *St. Cyril*, *Proclus* of *Constantinople*, &c. But with much reason adjudged to be spurious: There is also a Gospel attributed to him, placed among the Apostolical Books.

JANSENISTS, a Sect of Christians so denominated from *Cornelius Jansenus*, Bishop of *Ipres*, born 1585, at *Leerdam* in *Holland*; their Principles are chiefly founded upon his Book of Grace, Entituled *Augustinus*, wherein he endeavours to explain *St. Augustin's* Scheme concerning Grace, the substance of which is, that all the concurrent Causes or Principles, distinct from the Soul, do so far determin the Will, that she is plainly over-ruled by them.

ICONOCLASTES, or *Image-Breakers*, a Name given to the *Image-breakers* in the Eighth Century: *Sarentapechis*, a *Jew*, persuaded *Exide*, King of the *Arabs*, to

to take the Images of Saints out of Churches that belonged to the *Christians*: And some time after, *Bazere*, becoming a *Mahometan* in *Syria*, where he was a Slave, insinuated himself so much into the favour of *Leo Isauricus*, that this Prince at his, and the perswasion of other *Jews*, who had foretold him his coming to the Empire, declared against Images, about 726, ordered the Statue of *Christ*, placed over one of the Gates of the City, to be thrown down, and being enraged at a Tumult occasioned hereby, issued out a Proclamation wherein he abolished their Use, and menaced the Worshipers with severe Punishments; and all the Solicitations of *Germanus* the Patriarch, and of the Bishop of *Rome*, could prevail nothing in their favour: His Son and Successor *Constantine* forbid praying to Saints, or the Virgin; they laughed at Pope *Stephen III.* and *Paul I.* who would have dissuaded him from it, and assembled a Council wherein his Proceedings were approved; but this Council being Condemned at *Rome*, the Emperor strove more than ever to gain his Point. *Leo IV.* succeeded in 775, and reigned but four Years, leaving his Son *Constantine* under the tutelage of the Empress *Irene*: In her time, in 787, was held the second Council of *Nice*, who desired the Image of *Christ* and of the Saints, should be restored, &c. according to *Baronius* and others: But *Spanheim* says, *Philip* the Emperor, and *John*, Patriarch of *Constantinople*, having rejected the 6th General Council against the *Monothelites* in 712, took away the Pictures of the Fathers of that and the former Councils, hung up by the Emperor *Justinian*, in the Por-

tico of *St. Sophia*; and that the Pope thereupon, in a Synod at *Rome*, ordered the like Images to be placed in *St. Peter's Church*, and thenceforth worshipped; their Use, 'till that time, being barely Historical: The *Saracens* offended at that Superstition, persecuted the *Christians*, and *Leo* calling a Synod, issued a Proclamation, condemning their Worship, but granting that they might be hung up in Churches, the better to prevent Idolatry; and upon a further dispute with Pope *Gregory II.* who Excommunicated him, and absolved his Subjects from their Obedience in 730. He commanded they should be quite taken down and destroy'd. *Constantine Copronymus* followed his Father's Example, and in the thirteenth Year of his Reign, Anno 744, assembled the seventh General Council of the *Greeks*, wherein Images and their Worshipers were condemned: His Son *Leo IV.* followed his Steps, who at his death, leaving the Empress *Irene* to administer the State during the minority of *Constantine VII.* she, to gain the Monks into her Interest, made use of them to restore Images, advanced *Tarasias*, from a Laick, to be Patriarch of *Constantinople*, and did so manage the Council which she called at *Nice*, that they decreed several sorts of Worships to Images; as Salutation, Incense, Kissing, Wax-lights, &c. but neither approved Images of the Trinity, Statues, nor any carved work. *Constantine* being of Age, and opposing this procedure, was barbarously deprived of his Sight and Life, by his unnatural Mother *Irene*, which Fact is commended by Cardinal *Baronius*, as also *Gregory II.* declaring the Emperor *Leo* inca-

incapable of the Crown, which he calls a rare Example to Posterity, not to suffer Heretical Princes to Reign; on the other side, the Popes imitated their Predecessors in their hatred to the Greek Emperors, whom they despoiled of their Exarchate of *Ravenna*, and their other Possessions in *Italy*, which by the help of the French, was turned into *St. Peter's* Patrimony; but that the French, Germans, and other Northern Countries abhorred Image-worship, is plain by the *Capitulary of Charlemain* against Images, and the Acts of the Synod of *Frankfort*, under that Prince, who also wrote four Books to Pope *Adrian* against Image Worship, and the illegal Council of *Nice*, above mentioned. This Image-worship was also opposed by other Emperors that succeeded, as also by the Churches of *Italy*, *Germany*, *France* and *Britain*, particularly by the learned *Alcuin*.

IDOLATRY; see Idols.

IDOLS; a Name taken from the Greek, and properly signifies an Image, or the Statue of some false Deity, from which word the Pagan Religion was called Idolatry; tho' perhaps this false Religion may be more Antient than Idols: The poor Gentiles worshipped the Stars before any Statues for Adoration were made, and even before *Jupiter* was spoke of, or any other of the Pagan Divinities; this is the Opinion of the *Rabbies*, to which they add the Tradition of *Abraham's* Journey, who fled out of his own Country (as they say) rather than he would worship the Stars. Things, in process of time, were deify'd, and because Star-worship was admired most by the People, they found

the knack of deifying Kings under the name of some particular Star: They likewise looked upon as Divine Beings, all the Beasts that had any resemblance or reference to any of the Stars, or which, they thought, did partake of their Virtue, Nature, and Force, in any degree above the rest: Thus an Ox was Consecrated to the Sun, under the Name of *Apis*, according to *Macrobius*, to the Moon according to *Ammianus* and *Porphyry*, to the Sign *Taurus*, according to *Lucian*; and the Egyptians, according to *Elia's* Report, attributed to this Beast 29 Marks, which signify'd the number of the Qualities and Properties of the Stars it resembled.

In like manner they worshipped for Gods, all Men that had done signal Service for the People; thus they adored *Hercules* and those other Heroes, so much spoken of in History: Many Authors are of opinion, that *Ninus* out of an immoderate Passion for his Father *Belus*, began first to countenance Idolatry, in causing the Statue of this Prince to be adored after his death. *Clemens Alexandrinus* says, that the first Pagans, who would have Gods of their own handyworks, erected pieces of Wood of an extraordinary size, or Pillars of Stone, which they worshipped, and called *ἑσάρια*, that is, polished Statues from *ἑῆω* to *polish*. But being afterwards improved by Art, Men began thence to make Idols with human shapes, and were called *ἑσάρια* from *ἑσάρια*, which signifies a Man: Nay, there are Places in the *Indies* to this day, where they worship high Columns, whereof they have little Portable Figures, which, in all probability, are the Remains

of this Ancient Idolatry: Besides the Idols set up in Temples, and other sacred Places, the Pagans had also little Figures, representing these Idols in likeness; each of their Gods had his Image made with some distinction, rendring them peculiar to the Deity: Thus *Jupiter* was represented by Lightning; *Mars* by a Lance and Spear, &c. Moreover, there were some Deities whose Idols were not to be seen, but in particular Countries; and so the *Egyptians*, *Greeks* and *Romans*, and other People, had their own in peculiar; on the other hand, there were other Gods which were universally adored, and therefore called the *Aonian* Gods; but as Nations differed, so did their Adorations and Ceremonies of Worship: We are informed from the fourteenth Chapter of the Book of Wisdom, that the first Statue of Human form, adored by Men, was erected by a Father for his dead Son, who also instituted Sacrifices in honour of him, to divert his own Grief for the loss, and ordered that none of his Servants should presume to ask him any thing, if they had not adored it that day; hence, by degrees, it became customary to pay a Veneration to the Images of considerable Persons: These, at first, were made of Stone, or diverse sorts of Wood and Ivory; tho' the Art of casting Metal Statues is very Ancient, as appears by *Psal*, 113. wherein 'tis said, *The Idols of the Nations were all Gold and Silver.*

As for those little Idols in Niches, we read in *Cicero's* Oration against *Verres*, that one of these representing *Minerva*, was offered at *Apollo's* Temple; *Demetrius* the Goldsmith, that raised the Tu-

mult against *St. Paul* at *Ephesus*, did it chiefly, because that Apostle preaching the Gospel, began to sink his Trade, which consisted chiefly in the sale of *Diana's* Images: There were indeed several among the Pagans, sensible of the invalidity of their Idols, but the common sort believed, that the Statues of Gold, Silver, &c. were really Divine; and the Devil contributed much to confirm them in this Error, by the strange things he did in them, and the Answers he gave by them, as by that of *Juno*, surnamed *Minerva*; that of *Fortune*, called *Femina*. *Pythagoras* the Pagan, saw, and maintained, by the strength of natural Reason, that we cannot receive the Idea of a God by our corporeal Senses; that it was only intelligible, and therefore forbade the making of any Figures to represent the Gods. *Numa* received and established this Doctrine at *Rome*; so that the *Romans*, for 170 Years, had no Statues in the fine Temples they built to their Gods; but afterwards they came to render Divine Worship to inanimate things; insomuch that the very *Roman* Emperors Statues called *Laureata*, sent into the Provinces as soon as the Princes ascended the Throne, were worshipped, and all People obliged to pay them the Honours due to the Persons they represented.

Indeed, Idol Worship began to be laid aside, after our Saviour's Birth: The Emperor *Claudius* abolished many Sacrifices, and Festivals dedicated to the false Gods. Their Worship sunk more in the second Century, for *Alexander Severus* bestowed but very little upon their Temples; *Maximin* his successor took the Idols,

dols, their Ornaments and Treasure
 and melted them down: Whilst
 they Blind and Carnal Pagans, be-
 cause they could not conceive any
 other, but that gross Idea of a
 Diety, gave out that the Christians
 adored the Idol of a Man, ha-
 ving Asses Ears, a long Robe, a
 Book in one Hand, and shewing
 one of his Feet, resembling that
 of an Ass, and exposed his picture
 thus, with this abominable In-
 scription, *Deus Christianorum Ono-*
mychites; and this Calumny they
 indeed found upon what *Tacitus*
 has in the fifth Book of his History,
viz. That the *Jews*, from whom
 the Christians sprang, adored the
 Head of an Ass; because, conti-
 nues he, being in desperate want
 of Water, to quench their Thirst
 in the Deserts of *Arabia*, when
 Banished out of *Egypt*, they were
 led to a Spring by Wild Asses
 that went thither to Drink: *Con-*
stantine demolished the Temples
 of the false Dieties, overthrew
 their Idols, and above all used
 his Endeavour entirely to abolish
 all those Impurities consecrated
 to *Venus*, and other Infamous
 Dieties, which the Pagans had in-
 troduced, meerly to Authorize
 their Debaucheries: His Son *Con-*
stantius, published several Edicts
 to the same purpose, and ordered
 that the Temples of the Gods
 that remained standing, should
 be shut up. All which Edicts,
 were in part Executed: But the
 Emperor *Julian the Apostate*, who
 soon after came to the Crown,
 endeavoured by all Means to re-
 store it, and the better to effect
 his Design, caused the Images of
Jupiter, *Mars* and *Mercury*, to be
 placed with his own, in all pub-
 lick places; the first as putting on
 his Crown and Purple, and the

other two as Admirers of his Va-
 lour and Eloquence; thinking by
 this Means to bring the Christians
 insensibly back again to Idolatry.
 the Emperor *Theodosius*, being
 desirous of nothing more, than
 quite to destroy Idolatry, did, ac-
 cording to *Prudentius*, upon his
 coming to the Empire, require of
 the *Romans*, that all the Pagan
 Feasts and Sacrifices should be
 abolished, and the Idols Pulled to
 Pieces; those only excepted, which
 were of extraordinary Workman-
 ship, which he would have re-
 served, not for any Adoration
 due to them, but for the Orna-
 ment of the City only: And in-
 deed there was not an Idol in a
 short time, to be seen in all the
 Capitol of *Rome*. And this same
 good Prince, continuing his care
 for the Extinguishing of Idolatry,
 ordered the famous Temple of
Serapis at *Alexandria*, should be
 levelled, and a Church built in
 the room of it; and notwith-
 standing the opposition made by
 the Pagans, in many places for
 the Detention of their false
 Dieties, and places of Worship,
 the Emperor went still on. And
St. Martin in *France*, pulled down
 a great Number of Idols, pur-
 suant to his Order, and a great
 Zeal there was used every where,
 for Compleating the destruction
 of them: The Pagans had only
 one hope remaining, *viz.* That
 their Oracles fortold them, That
 the Year 398 would be very Fa-
 tal to the Christian Religion, but
 it fell out otherwise, for Christia-
 nity was so far from being extinct
 that year, that it rather flourished
 by the Edicts of the Emperors
Arcadius and *Honorius*, who or-
 dered the final Destruction of the
 Temples, and the breaking of all
 Idols.

Idols. But many of the Temples, were Converted into Christian Churches; however there were still a great many Priests at Rome, as well as Senators, who continued Pagans, tho' they had no publick Pagan Worship: But in 409. in the time of the Empire of *Honorius* and *Theodosius* the Younger, the *Goths* having besieged Rome, the Romans were put to that extremity, that certain Idolatrous Priests, taking advantage of the general Consternation, pretended they could drive away their besiegers by the help of their false Deities, provided they were suffered to offer Sacrifices, which was performed accordingly in the Capitol, to no purpose. And the *Goths* besieging Rome a second time, and taking it, the Pagan Idols were quite Crushed and destroyed: The Tribune *Ursus* in 420, Caused the Remains of the *African* Idol Temples to be ruined; and the Emperor *Theodosius* the Younger, Three Years after, being desirous to put a final end to the great Work of abolishing Idolatry, published very severe Edicts, whereby he required, that every thing belonging to Idolatry, in any Sence should be destroyed to all Intents and Purposes, throughout the *Roman* Empire: And thus Idolatry, was extinguished.

Others there are Writing of Idolatry, who say, that the Ancient Inhabitants of the East, being perswaded, that there were Intelligent beings above Men, which were the Ministers of the supreme God, in the Conduct of the Universe came by degrees, to reverence them in an equal degree with him, who was their Master, or at least, to pay them as much

Worship, as they did to him: They likewise were perswaded that some of those Intelligences were in the Stars; so that they ought to Honour them, as the Bodies of the Gods: They also imagined that the Souls of the Illustrious Men, after their Deaths, did ascend among those Superior beings, and took care of the Country where they lived. Hence it came to pass, that of this vast Multitude of Dieties, they knew not whom to regard as the Chief, and that many People looked upon the Souls of their Ancient Kings and Queens, as Supream Dieties: Thus *Isis* and *Osiris* passed in *Egypt*, for their Chief Gods, and *Jupiter* and *Juno* were the same thing amongst the *Greeks*. This is it that makes the Pagans sometimes speak Worthily as the Deity, and according to the Impressions, which they have received from Traditions, or which they had formed from the Works of the Creation, and why they speak at other Times of the King of the Gods, as of a Man: They confound two Ideas together, the one of an Inferior, and the other of a Supream Godhead, which had made all things; which is indeed the most dangerous Idolatry of all, for hereby God is confounded with an inferior Being, and not only so, but the same inward and outward Honour is given to this inferior Being, as to the Divine Majesty of Heaven and Earth: After that, Men came to make Statues, or to represent these Dieties under Emblems or Symbolical Figures, and then People believed, that after having consecrated them with certain Ceremonies, the Gods inhabited them, so as that they Honoured them

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as the Mansions of the Gods. Idolatry Flourishes still in divers parts of the World, and mostly in *China*; but of three different Sects of Religion in that Country, the Principal is that of those they call the learned *Chinese*, which Sect Admits of no Idols, nor acknowledges any object of Worship, but the Supream Diety, to whom, notwithstanding they build no Temples, nor assign him any Priests or Ceremonies, for his Worship: They sing no Hymns, in Honour of him, nor so much as pray for him, either in Publick or Private: The Reason of this singularity is somewhat odd, for they hold that it belongs only to the King to Worship the Supream God, and to pray to him, imagining these Offices of Religion too great a presumption in a subject.

JEHOVA, The great Name of God which we Commonly call *Tetragrammaton*, for that this Name consists of Four Letters in the *Hebrew* Tongue: The *Jews* retain so great a Veneration for this Holy Name, that they are forbid to pronounce it upon Pain of Death: In Ancient times it was the high Priest only that might Pronounce it, and that but once a Year, at the Solemn Benediction of the People, in the Feast of Expiation: *Eusebius* and *Theodoret* acknowledge, that the *Jews* were forbid to pronounce this Name; and *Josephus*, who was of the Priestly Race, Testifies, that he was not permitted to divulge the Pronunciation of it under Pain of Eternal Damnation, alledging that it contained the Mystery of the Trinity. It appears by the Fragment yet remaining of the *Hexapla* of *Origen*,

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where the *Hebrew* Tongue was Writ in *Greek* Character, that he wrote *Adonai*, in all places, where *Jehovah* was in the *Hebrew*, a thing which is confirmed by the pronounciation of the *Jews* now a Days: We do not find that *St. Jerom* either makes use of this word *Jehovah* in his Translation of the Bible, or in his Works; but follows the Ancient *Greek* Interpreters, rendring it, for the most part, *Lord*. The *Massoret Jews*, Desirous to Conceal it, Point it with other Vowells than its own: However 'tis Manifest that this Name was formerly pronounced with Vowells proper for it, and Ancient Authors prove it. *Diodorus Siculus*, and other Heathen Writers, have remarked that the God of the *Jews*, was called *Jao*, which very word, we find in the Works of *Irenaeus*, *Clemens Alexandrinus* and *Theodoret*; and this last observes, in his disputes upon *Exodus*, that the *Jews* pronounced *Jao*, and the *Samaritans* *Jave*. The Learned *Gataker* defends our using the Name *Jehova*, against the weak and unjust Cavills of those that oppose it.

JENTIVES, A sort of Heathens, in the *Indies*, Chiefly in the Kingdom of *Golconda* and that of *Cambaya*: They believe one only God, and the Immortality of the Soul, but they admit of the Transmigration of Souls, and therefore Abhor the Effusion of Blood, and Murder of Animals, for fear, of Killing their Fathers, or any of their Friends.

JERONYMITES, Surnamed also the Hermits of *St. Jerom*. A Religious Congregation Established in *Italy* and *Spain*: *Peter de Pise* labours

laboured for it, with extream Zeal in *Italy*, and one *Thomas* in *Spain*; whither he went with some of his Companions. Pope Gregory XI. Confirmed this Institution in 1373. or 74. under the Rule of *St. Austin*: These Monks are thus Denominated, because their Rule is drawn from the Works and principally from the Letters of *S. Jerom*.

JESUITES, or Monks of the Society of *Jesus*, which the Council of *Trent* calls Regular Clerks: They own *Ignatius Loyala* for their Founder, who Established the Society, An. 1534. *Paul III.* Confirmed it *Viva Voce*, in 1539, and Next Year approved it by an Authentick Bull: But because their Number was not to exceed Sixty, that Clog was taken of by another Bull in 1543. The Privileges of this Society which renders them exorbitantly powerful and numerous, have been Confirmed by divers succeeding Popes: This Society besides the three ordinary Religious Vows, make one to the Pope, for the Missions: Their General is perpetual, and Resides at *Rome*: He hath four Assistants General of *Italy*, *France*, *Spain*, *Germany*, who yet have no Decisive, but only Consultative Voices.

The Members of this Company are Considered four ways, either as Professors of the four Vows, or as Spiritual Coadjutors, who are Priests, and Temporal Coadjutors, being Lay-brothers, or as Regents and Students, whom they call Masters, or lastly as Novices: The Fathers of this Society have had two great Controversies, with other Popish Doctors, first Concerning Predestination and Grace, with the *Thomists* and *Jansenists*,

who accuse them of being *Pelagians*, or at least *Semi-Pelagians*, whilst the Jesuits call them *Monichees*, and Assertors of Predestination: The second is about Morals, which the *Jansenists* say, they corrupt, concerning which many Books, have been written by both Parties: The Jesuits are the most Powerful by Far of any, of the Religious Orders of the Church of *Rome*.

It will not be improper to give in this place, some of the Rules of this Order, drawn from their Common Rules, and they are these; that they ought to be present every Day, at the Sacrifice of the Mass; that they shall have a Year to renew their Vows, after a General Confession, that they ought not to sleep with the Windows of their Chambers Open; That none of those who are designed for Domestick Employments, ought rather to learn, either to read or Write, that so they may serve Christ with Humility, or Simplicity; that they are not to eat or Drink between Meals, for Fear of Prejudicing their Health; that they ought to keep themselves very Clean, that being accounted an Instrument of Health, and of much Edification to their Neighbours; that being at Table, they ought not to Salute any but the Superior; that they are not to ask Council of any stranger without the Superiors leave, that they shall meddle with no businets, even of Piety, without his leave, nay, not so much as shew themselves inclinable to it: They ought not to Tattle, nor to shew any Body the Rules, and Constitutions of their Order; neither are they to Communicate to Strangers, the Spiritual Instruction exerci-

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exercises and Meditations of the Society.

As for their Provincial Rules, here follows an Abstract of them; that the Provincial may dispence with all sorts of Rules; that four Counsellors, are to assist him with their Council, in the Concerns of the Jesuits; that it belongs to him to Nominate all Prefects, &c. And he is to take especial care to have some Jesuits brought up Early in the Management of Temporal Affairs, that so the Society may be better served. That it should be declared to those who were expelled the Society, that they were no longer bound to the Observance of the Vow they had made: That he was to allow none to learn *Hebrew*, unless he be first well persuaded of their Stedfastness in the Jesuitical Divinity, and humble enough to make good use of it: That every Jesuit must follow the Particular Opinions of the Society, in matters of Divinity and Philosophy, and that those who are unfit to learn Scholastick Divinity and Philosophy, must apply themselves to study Cases of Conscience.

The Rules of the Prefect, or Superior of profest Houses, are that he must not insist on the Jesuits, any but ordinary Penances, such as are to Eat at a little Table by themselves, to Eat under the Table, to kiss one another's Feet, to recite some prayers in the midst of the Refectory and the like; that he as well as the Provincial, have Power in his House, to Dispense with the Rules, Constitutions and Decrees of General Chapters: That he may now and then, send his Jesuits to beg Alms from Door to Door;

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that he is to Read the Letters that are brought them, and those that they send afterward; one of their Chapters, declares the great care they ought to take of Souls in Preaching Popery, and hearing Confessions; that they ought to receive no Money in trust, unless of those to whom they are much obliged, and cannot be refused; that they must endeavour to keep the Friends they have, and to gain the Hearts of those, who may be dissatisfied with the Society: Particularly if they be Persons of Quality; that they ought to shew themselves very grateful, to the Founder, and Benefactors of the Society; that they shall express their Charity towards the Travellers of their own Society, and to Treat them with all kindness and good Offices imaginable: That they ought not to offer Hospitality towards any other strangers, except it be those whom they have been thus obliged to, who would otherwise take it very ill.

JEZIDES, A Sect of *Mahometans* Inhabiting *Turkey* and *Persia*, so denominated from their Head *Jezid*, an *Arabian* Prince, who slew *Hussan* and *Hussein*, Sons of *Hali*, *Mahomet's* Son in Law, and was for this very Reason, reckoned a *Parricide* and *Heretic*, among the *Mahometans*, who since conferred the Name of *Jezides* upon another Sect than theirs: They are pretty Numerous and use the *Curdistan* Language. There are two sorts of them Black and White, the last being Clad like *Turks*, and Distinguishable only by their Shirts, which are not slit at the Neck as others be, and which have but a round hole to run their Heads thro'

thro', a thing which passes for a Mystery amongst them, and is (they say) in Memory of a Golden Ring, or Circle of Light, which descended from Heaven, into the Neck of the *Cbeg*, or Prince, and Head of their Religion after Forty Days: The Blacks are as the Monks or Religious of their Sect, tho' married. They call them *Fakirs*, that is *Poor*, but for all that they love Riches well, and hate Poverty: The *Turks* abhor them, as well upon the score of their Religion, being contrary to *Mahomet's*, as because of the Murder aforementioned; and the greatest Injury you can do one of them, is to call him *Fezide*, the Son of *Fezid*: They call them Asses, whose Duty it is to carry the *Jews* to Hell at the Day of Judgment: They exact excessive Taxes from them, and reduce them almost to despair, which makes them on their part mortally hate the *Turks*, and when they Curse any Creature in their Wrath, they Nick-name him *Mussulman*, i. e. *Turk*: They are great lovers of the *Christians*, and call them their God-fathers, from a Belief they have, that *Fezid* is the same as *Jesus Christ*, or else because that their Chief *Fezid* formerly sided with the *Christians*, and entred into an Alliance with them against the *Mahometans*; however they are neither *Turks* nor *Christians*, tho' more inclin'd to the *Messiah* than to *Mahomet*: They glory in drinking Wine and eating Swine's flesh, which the *Turks* and *Jews* abhor: They shun Circumcision as much as they can, and never receive it but when the *Turks* force them to it: They are extremely ignorant, and use no Books to regulate their Faith: They believe in the

Bible and Gospel without reading them, and some of them in the *Alcoran*, and therefore they usually say as the *Turks* do, that these three Books came from Heaven: They also believe many Miracles of our Saviour, that are not in the Gospel, as that he spoke on the day of his Birth; that he raised one from the Dead who dyed a Thousand Years before, and many other things.

They make Vows and Pilgrimages in imitation of the *Christians* and *Turks*, but have no Temples to Worship or to pray to God in, and never enter the Mosques, without it be out of curiosity; but they would frequent the Christian Churches, were it not for fear of being ill used by the *Turks*: They observe no Feasts nor Solemnities, and all the Adoration they give to God, consists in singing spiritual Songs, to the Honour of *Jesus Christ*, of the Holy Virgin, of *Zachary*, and sometimes of the false Prophet *Mahomet*: When they pray, they set their Faces to the *East*, as many *Christians* do, and contrary to the *Turks*, who face to the *South*. It's a principal Point of their Religion, not to Curse the Devil, and not even to pronounce his Name, for fear he should resent the Injuries, if ever after he should be in favour with God again, as they believe it possible; and besides, they fear falling into his hands after death, least, he being the Executioner of Divine Justice, might chastise them the more rigorously to be revenged on them; when they talk of the Devil, they call him the *Angel Peacock*, or him whom the Ignorant curse: They bury their dead without any Ceremony, in the first

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first place they come at: the Richer sort, nevertheless, bury in certain Places of Devotion; and as they bury them, they play and sing some Songs upon the Guitar, turning their Voices to the sound of the Instrument; they may not cry at the death of a Black, but then must rejoice as at a Festival, to celebrate the entry of the Deceased into Heaven: These Blacks are held in such Veneration, that when they take occasion to speak of one of their Garments, they give it a particular Name, tho' they differ only in Colour from others. Yet the greatest part of these *Gezides* are but Shepherds, and their noblest Employments are to keep Goats upon the Mountains: A *Gezide* Black may not kill Sheep, or any other living Creature, but eat them they may, after the White have killed them: When they can have Wine they suck it with excess, and which is very strange, they call it the Blood of *Jesus Christ*; for in their Feasts, as they hand their Glasses or Cups to each other, they say thus, *take the Chalice of the Blood of Christ*; and he that receives it, kisseth his Hand that offereth it, and drinks with Respect; this and many other Ceremonies which they use, conformable, in some sense to, and in imitation of *Christians*, makes us believe, they came from the *Arrians*, or from some other Heretick Sectaries, but corrupted by the succession of Time, or at least, that they have formerly contracted some Union with the *Christian* Hereticks: Those that shave their Beards among them, pass for Hereticks, and 'tis reckoned even a Sin not to let it grow as long as it can.

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IGNIS, *Fire*, so far as this Element relates to the Religion or Superstition of the Gentiles, we are to take notice of it in this place. The Chronicle of *Alexandria* assures us, that *Nimrod*, who was *Ninus* the first King of *Assyria*, ordained the worship and the Religion of Fire; and as the City of *Ur* was famous in the Province of *Babylon*, and that *Ur* signifies Fire, they fancy'd that the Worship of Fire was first instituted there. *Eupolemus* reports, that *Ur* was accounted to be the same as *Camarina*, which took its Name from the Hebrew Word *Kamar*, i. e. *Flagrare*, *Æstuari*, and her Priests were also called *Camarin*: The *Hebrews* themselves, according to *Ferom*, feigned that those Words of Scripture, *Abraham came out of Ur of the Chaldeans*, shewed that he came miraculously out of the Fire, where the *Chaldeans* had cast him, because he refused to adore that Element; and it is *Lucan's* Opinion, that the *Chaldeans* worshipped Fire.

Chaldaeos Cultare Focos.

Herodotus affirms, that the *Persians* adored Fire as a God: Wherefore they scrupled to burn the Corps of their dead, lest they should feed their Deity with a dead Body: Indeed 'tis very like, that the *Chaldeans*, *Persians* and other *Eastern* Nations, who adored the Sun and the Stars as Eternal Fire, retained also a Symbol of them in a perpetual Fire, always burning on their Altars; and that in process of time, the simple People adored the Fire it self, that was burning on their Altars, as their Deities, having no other to worship: However, few Wri-

ters ascribe the Worship of Fire to the *Chaldeans* and other Ancient Inhabitants of the *East*. *Julius Firminus* says only, that the *Persians* preferred Fire before all other Elements, and had it carry'd before them; and *Curtius* says, that the *Persians* and Wise Men kept an Eternal Fire upon Silver Altars, as a Symbol of *Jupiter*, i. e. the *Sun*.

The *Greeks* and the *Romans* adored *Vesta* and *Vulcan*, as the Terrestrial and Elementary Fire, distinguishing the Fire of the Earth from that of Heaven; they taking *Vesta* for the Earth, in the Center of which (according to their Opinion) an Eternal Fire was burning; but perpetual Fire was the only representation they had of that false Goddess *Vesta*, it being impossible to have a true Image of Fire: Nay, *Ovid* says, it was an Ancient Custom to keep Fire at the entry of their Houses, and that they sat at long Tables in these Entries to take their Meals, where the Fire represented the Gods: This perpetual Fire was not only watched and kept by the Vestal Virgins, but the care thereof was also committed to the high Pontiff, and was part of his Function, even in the time that the Imperial Purple was conjoined with the pontifical Dignity: This Eternal Fire kept at *Rome*, came from *Troy*, or they made the People believe it, where it was in the like veneration: And the Vestal Virgins, we find, were very severely punished when they let the Fire of *Vesta* go out, for they were superstitiously persuaded, that the Eternity of the Empire depended upon the Eternity of that Fire.

Dionysius Halicarnassus says, *Nu-*

ma built a Temple at *Rome* to *Vesta*, to keep a Fire therein by the Ministry of Virgins, that it might be a sacred Fire common to the whole City; and the same Author further informs us, that *Numa* found a Conformity between the Chastity of Virgins, and the Purity of Fire, and that that Fire was Consecrated to *Vesta*, because she denoting the Earth, and being in the Centre of the Creation, affords Nourishment with her Vapours to the Stars which are the perpetual Fires thereof.

Every Town in *Greece* had its *Prytaneum*, but that of *Athens* was the most famous, and this Word signifies the place where the Fire was kept, being indeed the Fires of Lamps consecrated to *Vesta*, and hung up in their Temples, which shews that these Eternal Fires and Lamps were kept in imitation of the Temple of *Jerusalem*, or the first Tabernacle built by *Moses* according to God's Command: The Fire of the Stars seemed to have been honoured in the Person of *Jupiter*, and they ascribed to *Vulcan* the Fire of the Clouds; wherefore they said, that *Vulcan* forged *Jupiter's* Thunderbolts, or the Fire of Mountains casting out Flames.

ILITHYA, a Pagan Divinity invoked by Women in Labour, and according to *Ovid*, was no other than *Diana*; but *Plutarch* says, she was the Moon.

ILLUMINATED on *Alumbrado's*, certain *Spanish* Hereticks, who began to appear in the World about 1575, but the Authors being severely punished, this Sect was stifled as it were 'till 1623, and then awakened with more vigour in the Diocese of *Seville*. The Edict in favour of them specifies seventy
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six different Errors, whereof the Principal are, that with the assistance of mental Prayer, and Union with God, (which they boasted of) they were in such a state of Perfection, as not to need either good Works, or the Sacraments of the Church; and that they might commit the grossest Crimes without sin.

IMAN, properly in *Arabick*, is the same as *Antistes* in *Latin*, i. e. He that precedes or goes before others; but the *Mussulmans* apply it particularly to him who is at the Head of their Assemblies in their *Mosques*; and by way of Excellency for the Person, who is acknowledged to be the Chief of *Mahometanism*, as well in Spirituals as Temporals: However, there are particular *Imans* in some Cities who officiate for the Chief *Iman*, but only in Spirituals: When we speak absolutely of the *Iman* of the *Mahometan* Religion, we mean, *Mahomet's* true and lawful Successor, in whom, originally are both Temporal and Spiritual Jurisdiction; because all manner of Authority, in both these respects, should reside in his Person only, and therefore the *Mussulmans* may be told their false Prophet was a Legislator like *Moses*, and not the *Messiah*, who declared his Kingdom was not of this World: The *Caliphs* took the Title of *Iman* upon them, and executed the Function: The *Mahometans* cannot agree among themselves concerning the Office or Dignity of the *Iman*, some believing it to be a Divine Right, and continued to one Family, as the High Priesthood was to *Aaron*; others hold it to be of Divine Right on the one hand, but on the other, they do not think it so confined to one Family, as not to be transferred into ano-

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ther: And they say farther, that the *Iman* being not exempted from falling into a grievous and heinous Sin, as that of Infidelity is, he may for that, and so for lesser Offences if he commits them, be deposed, and his Dignity transferred to another person: However, this passes for current among the Orthodox *Mussulmans*, that when once a Person has been acknowledged for *Iman*, he that denies his Authority is not from God, is a wicked Man; he that obeys him not is a Rebel, and he that contradicts his Authority is ignorant: They have a great many other Alterations about their *Iman*, which will be too tedious to run through.

IMPUDENCE, a Deity of the Pagans, that had her Temple at *Athens*, where she was revered as a Goddess, while at the same time, in another Temple there, they revered *Shame* as a God; the Partridge was Consecrated to *Impudence*, for some resembling qualities in her Nature.

INCORRUPTICOLÆ, or *Aphthartodocitæ*, or *Phantasiastæ*, *Hereticks*, who had their original at *Alexandria*, in the time of the Emperor *Justinian*: The beginning of the Controversie was among the *Eutychians*, whether the Body of Christ was Corruptible or incorruptible from his Conception: *Severus* held it corruptible; *Julianus Halicarnassus* held the contrary, as not being obnoxious to Hunger, Thirst or weariness; and that he did but seemingly suffer such things; from whence they were called *Phantasiastæ*. *Evagrius* says, that the Emperor *Justinian* favoured these *Hereticks*, and persecuted the Orthodox, but he is accused of falsehood in this particular.

INCUBUS, a Name given by the Pagans to certain Demi-gods, formerly called *Faunes* and Satyrs; it's derived from the Word *Incubo*, because there was a Fiction as if they desired the Company of Women, and lay with them at Night; but 'tis indeed only a Disease called, by us, the *Night-mare*, which is a kind of suffocation or oppression of the Body, that happens in the Night-time, by reason of a thick and cold Vapour, which fills the Ventricles of the Brain, and hinders the Vital Spirits from passing thro' the Nerves.

INDEPENDENTS, a Body of Protestants, who have the Name also of Congregational, because they hold that every Congregation hath a complete power of Jurisdiction within it self, Independent either on Bishop, or any Synod or Council, either great or small; tho' they own that Synods have a considerative Power, and are an Ordinance of God: The only thing peculiar to them, is their way of admitting Members into their Congregations by a Covenant, obliging them to participate of the Word and Sacraments in their respective Societies: But for a more particular Account of their Principles and Agreement with the *Presbyterians*, take the following Heads concerted among them both in 1691.

As for Churches and Church-Members, they Acknowledged our Lord Jesus Christ to have One *Catholick Church* or Kingdom, comprehending all that are united to Him, whether in *Heaven* or *Earth*. And did concieve the whole multitude of *visible Believers*, and their Infant-Seed (commonly called the *Catholick Visible Church*)

to belong to *Christ's Spiritual Kingdom* in this World: But for the notion of a *Catholick Visible Church* here, as it signifies its having been collected into any formed Society, under a Visible human Head on Earth, whether one Person singly, or many collectively, They, with the rest of Protestants, unanimously disclaim it.

2. They agreed, That particular Societies of Visible Saints, who under Christ their Head, are statedly joined together for ordinary Communion with one another, in all the Ordinances of Christ, are *particular Churches*, and are to be owned by each other, as Instituted Churches of Christ, tho' differing in apprehensions and practice in some lesser things.

3. That none shall be admitted as Members, in order to Communion in all the special Ordinances of the Gospel, but such persons as are knowing and sound in the *fundamental Doctrines of the Christian Religion*, without Scandal in their Lives; and to a Judgment regulated by the Word of God, are persons of visible Godliness and Honesty; credibly professing cordial subjection to Jesus Christ.

4. A competent Number of such *visible Saints* (as before described) do become the capable Subjects of stated Communion in all the *special Ordinances of Christ*, upon their mutual declared consent and agreement to walk together therein according to the Gospel Rule. In which declaration, different degrees of *Explicitness*, shall no way hinder such Churches from owning each other, as *Instituted Churches*.

5. That tho' *Parochial Bounds* be

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be not of *Divine Right*, yet for common Edification, the Members of a *particular Church* ought (as much as conveniently may be) to live near one another.

6. That each *particular Church* hath Right to chuse their own Officers; and being furnished with such as are *duly qualified* and *ordained* according to the Gospel Rule, hath Authority from Christ for exercising *Government*, and of enjoying all the *Ordinances of Worship* within it self.

7. That in the Administration of *Church Power*, it belongs to the *Pastors* and other *Elders* of every *particular Church* (if such there be) to *Rule and Govern*: and to the *Brotherhood* to *Consent*, according to the *Rule of the Gospel*.

8. That all Professors, as before described, are bound in duty, as they have opportunity, to join themselves as *fixed Members* of some *particular Church*; their thus joining, being part of their professed subjection to the *Gospel of Christ*, and an instituted means of their Establishment and Edification; whereby they are under the *Pastoral Care*, and in case of *scandalous* or *offensive walking*, may be *Authoritatively Admonished* or *Censured* for their recovery, and for vindication of the *Truth*, and the *Church* professing it.

9. That a *visible Professor* thus joined to a *particular Church*, ought to continue stedfastly with the said Church; and not forsake the Ministry and Ordinances there dispensed, without an orderly seeking a recommendation unto another Church. Which ought to be given, when the case of the person apparently requires it.

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1. As for the Ministry they agreed, That the *Ministerial Office* was instituted by Jesus Christ, for the Gathering, Guiding, Edifying, and Governing of his *Church*; and to continue to the end of the world.

2. That they who are called to this *Office*, ought to be endued with *competent Learning*, and *Ministerial Gifts*, as also with the Grace of God, sound in Judgment, not Novices in the Faith and Knowledge of the Gospel; without scandal, of holy Conversation, and such as devote themselves to the Work and Service thereof.

3. That ordinarily none shall be Ordained to the work of this Ministry, but such as are called and chosen thereunto by a *particular Church*.

4. That in so great and weighty a matter, as the calling and chusing a *Pastor*, they judg'd it ordinarily requisite, That every such Church consult and advise with the *Pastors* of Neighbouring Congregations.

5. That after such Advice, the Person consulted about, being chosen by the *Brotherhood* of that *particular Church* over which he is to be set, and he accepting, be duly ordained, and set apart to his Office over them; wherein 'tis ordinarily requisite, That the *Pastors* of Neighbouring Congregations concur with the *Preaching-Elder*, or *Elders*, if such there be.

6. That whereas such Ordination was only intended for such as never before had been ordained to the *Ministerial Office*; If any judge, that in the case also of the removal of one formerly Ordained, to a new Station or Pa-

floral Charge, there ought to be a like Solemn recommending him and his Labours to the Grace and Blessing of God; no different Sentiments or Practice herein, should be any occasion of Contention or Breach of Communion among them.

7. That it was expedient, that they who enter'd on the work of Preaching the Gospel, be not only qualified for Communion of Saints; but also that, except in cases extraordinary, they give proof of their Gifts and fitness for the said work, unto the Pastors of Churches of known abilities to discern and judge of qualifications; That they may be sent forth with Solemn Approbation and Prayer; which we judge needful, that no doubt may remain concerning their being Called to the work; and for preventing (as much as in us lieth) Ignorant and rash Intruders.

1. As for Censurers. As it cannot be avoided, but that in the Purest Churches on Earth, there will sometimes Offences and Scandals arise by reason of Hypocrisie and prevailing corruption; so Christ hath made it the Duty of every Church, to reform it self by Spiritual Remedies, appointed by him to be applied in all such cases; viz. Admonition, and Excommunication.

2. Admonition, being the rebuking of an Offending Member in order to conviction, is in case of private offences to be performed according to the Rule in Mat. 18. v. 15, 16, 17. and in case of Publick offences, openly before the Church, as the Honour of the Gospel, and nature of the Scandal shall require: And if either of the Admonitions take place for the reco-

very of the fallen Person, all further proceedings in a way of censure, are thereon to cease, and satisfaction to be declared accordingly.

3. When all due means are used, according to the Order of the Gospel, for the restoring an offending and scandalous Brother; and he notwithstanding remains Impenitent, the Censure of Excommunication is to be proceeded unto; Wherein the Pastor and other Elders (if there be such) are to lead, and go before the Church; and the Brotherhood to give their consent, in a way of obedience unto Christ, and unto the Elders, as over them in the Lord.

4. It may sometimes come to pass, that a Church-Member, not otherwise Scandalous, may sinfully withdraw, and divide himself from the Communion of the Church to which he belongeth: In which case, when all due means for the reducing him, prove more ineffectual, he having hereby cut himself off from that Churches Communion; the Church may justly esteem and declare it self discharged of any further inspection over him.

As for the Communion of Churches, they agree, 1. That Particular Churches ought not to walk so distinct and separate from each other, as not to have care and tenderness towards one another. But their Pastors ought to have frequent meetings together, that by mutual Advice, Support, Encouragement, and Brotherly intercourse, they may strengthen the hearts and hands of each other in the ways of the Lord.

2- That none of their particular Churches should be subordinate to one another; each being endued with equality of Power from Jesus Christ.

Christ. And that none of the said particular Churches, their Officer, or Officers, should exercise any Power, or have any Superiority over any other Church, or their Officers.

3. That known Members of particular Churches, constituted as aforesaid might have occasional Communion with one another in the Ordinances of the Gospel, viz. the Word, Prayer, Sacraments, Singing Psalms, dispensed according to the mind of Christ: Unless that Church with which they desired Communion, hath any just exception against them.

4. That they ought not to admit any one to be a Member of our respective Congregations, that had joined himself to another, without endeavours of mutual Satisfaction of the Congregations concerned.

5. That one Church ought not to blame the Proceedings of another, until it hath heard what that Church charged, its Elders, or Messengers, can say in vindication of themselves from any charge of irregular or injurious Proceedings.

6. That they were most willing and ready to give an account of their Church Proceedings to each other, when desired; for preventing or removing any offences that might arise among them. Likewise they should be ready to give the right hand of fellowship, and walk together according to the Gospel Rules of Communion of Churches.

In respect to Deacons and Ruling Elders, they agreed, That the Office of a Deacon is of Divine Appointment, and that it belongs to their Office to receive, lay out, and distribute the Churches Stock to its proper uses, by the direction of the Pastor and the Brethren, if

need be. And whereas divers were of opinion, That there was also the Office of Ruling Elders, who labour not in word and doctrine; and others think otherwise; They agreed, That this difference make no breach among them.

As for Occasional Meetings of Ministers, &c. They agreed, 1. That in order to concord, and in any other weighty and difficult cases, it is needful, and according to the mind of Christ, that the Ministers of several Churches be consulted and advised with about such matters.

2. That such Meetings may consist of smaller or greater Numbers, as the matter shall require.

3. That particular Churches, their respective Elders, and Members, ought to have a reverential regard to their judgment so given, and not dissent therefrom, without apparent grounds from the word of God.

Then for their Demeanour towards the Civil Magistrate, they, 1. Reckon'd themselves obliged continually to pray for God's Protection, Guidance, and Blessing upon the Rulers set over them.

2. That they ought to yield unto them not only subjection in the Lord, but support, according to their station and abilities.

3. That if at any time it should be their pleasure to call together any Number of them, or require any account of their Affairs, and the state of their Congregations, they should most readily express all dutiful regard to them therein.

As to their Confession of Faith, as to what appertains to soundness of Judgment in matters of Faith, they esteem'd it sufficient, That a Church acknowledge the Scriptures to be the word of God, the perfect

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and only Rule of Faith and Practice; and own either the Doctrinal part of those commonly called the *Articles* of the Church of England, or the *Confession* or *Catechisms*, *Shorter* or *Larger*, compiled by the *Assembly* at *Westminster*, or the *Confession* agreed on at the *Savoy*, to be agreeable to the said Rule.

And lastly as for their Duty and Deportment towards them that are not in Communion with them. 1. They judged it their duty to bear a *Christian Respect* to all Christians, according to their several Ranks and Stations, that were not of their *Persuasion* or *Communion*.

2. As for such as might be ignorant of the Principles of the *Christian Religion*, or of *vicious conversation*, they should in their respective Places, as they gave them opportunity, endeavour to explain to them the *Doctrine of Life and Salvation*, and to their uttermost persuade them to be reconciled to God.

3. That for such who appear'd to have the *Essential Requisites* to *Church-Communion*, they should willingly receive them in the Lord, not troubling them with Disputes about *lesser matters*.

INDIGETES, the Name given by the Antients to their Heroes, whom they accounted among the number of their Gods, for their great and Heroick Actions: The tutelary Gods of the Heathens, Protectors of any place were called by that Name; the Romans had a great number of this sort of Deities, as *Hercules*, *Æsculapius*, *Faunus*, *Quirinus*, *Carmenta*, *Castor* and *Pollux*, *Acca Laurentia* and others.

INDOUS, a sort of Pagans in India, on the other side the *Ganges*; they are no *Banians*, for they kill and eat all sorts of Beasts, be-

fides Oxen and Cows; they believe in one only God, and the Immortality of the Soul, but they spoil this just Belief with a vast number of Superstitions: They take their Meals within a Circle, into which they will not suffer the *Banians*, whom they abhor, to enter; they are most of them Souldiers, and the *Mogul* makes use of them to Garrison his best places.

INDULGENCIES, a Pardon, which in some of the *Papists* Language, the Church gives to Penitents, in remitting the Punishment due to their Sins, which otherwise they would be obliged to undergo, either in this World, or in *Purgatory*: It has always been the Belief (says *Moreri*) of the *Catholics*, that the Son God has given his Church a Power to absolve Penitents, not only from their sin by vertue of the Merits of our Saviour, applyed in the Sacrament of Penance, but likewise from the Obligation to Punishment, which they were liable to suffer, to satisfy the Divine Justice; Thus, says he, *St. Paul*, at the Instance of the *Corinthians*, forgave the Excommunicated Person, the remainder of his Penance, which otherwise he ought to have suffered for so great a Crime; and thus the Bishops of the first Ages received the Lapsed, upon their return, and reconciled them to the Church, relaxing the Canons in their favour, and shortning the time of stated Penance, and all this at the Intercession of the Martyrs, and in consideration of their Merit and Sufferings, and in conjunction with those of our Saviour: This Custom (says our Author) which has always been practised in the Church, upon the ceasing of a Persecution, stands recommended, not only by the

the Authority of Ancient Popes, as *Gregory the Great*, and *Leo III.* but likewise by the Council of *Nice*, *Ancyra* and *Laodicea*; by that of *Clement* in 1095, wherein they began to give Indulgences, to those who undertook the *Croisade* of the Holy War; the said practice was likewise continued in the Councils of *Lateran*, *Lyons*, *Vienne* and *Constance*: *Clemens VI.* in his Decretal or Constitution, generally received by the Church of *Rome*, declares that our Saviour has left an infinite Treasure of Merits and supererogatory Satisfaction arising from his own Sufferings, together with those of the Blessed Virgin, and the rest of the Family: That the Pastors or Guides of the Church, and more especially the Popes, who are the chief Disposers of this Treasure, have Authority given them to apply it to the living by vertue of the Keys, and to the Dead by way of Suffrage, to discharge them from their respective proportions of Sufferings, by taking as much Merit out of this general Treasure, as they conceive this Debt requires, and offering it to the Almighty. This, says *Moreri*, is what ought to be believed upon the point; but he is likewise so frank as to acknowledge, that as the best things are capable of being mismanaged, so the Business of Indulgencies has been sometimes very much abused: Thus *St. Cyprian* frequently complains, that the Martyrs gave their Letters of Communion without due Caution and Examination of the Case, and that the Bishops were too sudden and easie in that Affair, which made *Tertullian*, *Novatian*, and some others, instead of objecting against the Abuse, dispute against the

thing, and write against Indulgences themselves.

Moreri likewise complains of the several Abuses committed upon this account, saying, it was one of the chief things the Council of *Constance* charged upon *Pope John XXIII.* in 1415. That he impowred his Legates to Constitute Confessors, to absolve Penitents from Crimes of all Natures, upon payment of Sums of Money proportionable to their Guilt, and gives us the following Account of what passed under *Leo X.* That that Prelate having undertaken to carry on, and finish the great Structure begun by his Predecessor *Julius II.* published Indulgences and plenary remission to all such as should contribute thereunto, and finding the Project take, gave his Sister, the Princess of *Cibo*, the Benefit of the Indulgences of *Saxony*, and other Neighbouring parts, letting those of other Countries to the highest Bidders, who to make the most of their Bargains, made choice of the ablest Preachers, to cry up, and set out the value of the Ware. The Archbishop of *Mentz* pitched upon *John Texal*, a *Dominican*, who associating himself with some others of that Order, began to discharge their Office, when *John Stupitz*, Vicar general of the *Augustins*, growing angry that his Society, which formerly had been made use of in this Affair, should now be laid aside; and observing the palpable Excuses of the Preachers and Receivers of the Money, complained of it first to the Elector of *Saxony*, then addrest himself to *Martin Luther*, one of his own Order, and a Man of great Reputation in the University of *Wirtemberg*, for his Parts, Learning, and

and Natural Eloquence, who first preached against the Preachers, then against the Indulgences, and soon after exposed the other Abuses and Corruptions of the Church of Rome. Others there are who give this Account of the Original of Indulgences; that the Primitive Church being very rigid in exacting Penance for Offences, as 1. *Περίκλαυσις*, i. e. standing and mourning before the Church Door. 2. *Ακρόασις*, i. e. Admitting them to hear the Word, but not to Prayers. 3. *Υπόπτωσις* or Prostration, when they were admitted to the Word and some Prayers, but not to the Sacraments. 4. *Εὐσέβεισις*, when they were admitted to all the Prayers, but not to the Sacraments, which various Steps sometimes took up the Penitents whole Life, upon which, many were driven to Despair, or Apostatized to *Gentilism*, hereupon a temperment was found out to remit the harshness of the Canonical Penance, which was afterwards abused and degenerated into those now called Indulgences.

INQUISITION, a Tribunal or Court erected by the Popes, for the Examining and punishing of those whom they call Hereticks. An Original and an Account of which, according to *Moreri* and others, of the *Popish* Communion, take in the following manner. Before the Conversion of *Constantine* the Great, there was no other Tribunal, but that of Bishops, not only to examine Doctrinals, but also to punish, such as adhered obstinately to Condemned Heresies by Excommunication: But the *Roman* Emperors becoming Christians, thought themselves obliged to interpose, in the pu-

nishment of Crimes, Committed against the Divine Majesty, to which purpose they made Laws, which may be found in the *Theodosian* and *Justinian* Codes, whereby Hereticks were sentenced to Banishment and Forfeiture of Estates, so that there were now as it were two Courts of Judicature set up against them, the one Spiritual, and the other Civil: The Ecclesiastical Court pronounced upon the Right, declared what was Heresy, excommunicated Hereticks, upon which the Civil Courts undertook the Prosecution, and punished those in their Persons and Fortunes who were convicted of Heresy: This Method lasted till about the Year 800, from which time forwards the western Bishops had their Jurisdiction enlarged over Hereticks; for they assumed now an Authority to cite them to their own Courts, both to convict and Punish them: Its true they could not put the Imperial Laws of Banishment in Execution against them, but had an Authority of putting them into Prison, and imposing several other Instances of Discipline upon them, warranted by Canons and Custom. This sort of Jurisdiction went on Smoothly enough till the XII Century, but then the Church being imbroyled (at least as they would have it) with the growth and Power of Heresy, the Governours of it were obliged to Tollerate a great many things which they were not able to redress: All that the Bishops and Popes could do, was to send Preachers, and Legacies to labour the Conversion of Hereticks, particularly of the *Albigenses*, who were the occasion of Commotions in *Languedoc*. Hence it was that

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Gregory IX in the Council of *Tholouse* 1229. established new Constitutions, Committing the whole Management to the Bishops, but thinking these too indulgent, he gave the direction of his *Inquisition* to the *Dominicans*, who for their rigorous Proceedings, were Banished out of *Tholouse* by the Citizens, so that this Court was never firmly fixed there nor in any other part of *France*. All *Italy* received it, except the Kingdom of *Naples*, and the Dominions of *Spain*, except that Kingdom and the Low Countries, where the Emperor *Charles V.* and after him his Son *Philip II.* Endeavouring to Establish it in 1567. it occasioned the loss of that Country. this Tribunal takes Cognizance of Heresy, *Judaism*, *Mahometanism*, *Sodomy* and *Polygamy*, and People are so much in awe of it, that Parents deliver their Children, Husbands their Wives, to its Officers, without daring in the least to Murmur: The Prisoners are shut up in frightful Dungeons, where they are detained for several Months, till they themselves turn their own Accusers, and declare the Cause of their Imprisonment, for they are never confronted with Witnesses: Their Friends go into Mourning, speak of them as if dead, and neither dare solicit their Pardon, nor come nigh the Prison; nay, some there are who quit the Country, lest they should be brought in as Accomplices: When there is no convincing Proofs against the supposed Criminal, he is discharged after a tedious Imprisonment, and the loss of most part of his Effects: The Sentence which they call *Auto de fe*, or Decree of Faith, is publickly pronounced with extraordi-

nary solemnity. As for *Portugal* they there erect a Theatre, capable of holding three thousand Persons, on which they place a very rich Altar, and fix Seats on each side of it, in the form of an Amphitheatre, where the Criminals are placed, and over against whom there is a high Chair, to which they are singly called by one of the Inquisitors, to hear their Crimes and Condemnation: The Prisoners know their Doom by the Cloaths they wear that Day, for they that wear their own Cloaths are discharged, but pay a Fine: They that have a *Santo Benito*, or a strait Yellow Coat, without Sleeves, charged with *St. Andrew's Cross*, have their Lives spared, but their Effects are forfeited to the Royal Chamber, and to pay the Expences of the Inquisition: They that have Flames of red Sarge sowed on their *Santo Benito* without any Cross, are convicted of having had their Pardon before, and threatened to be burnt if ever they relapse again; but they that, besides these Flames, have their own Pictures round their *Santo Benito*, with the Figures of Devils, are condemned to die: Those who renounce *Judaism*, and detect their Accomplices, are pardoned the two first times, but infallibly die, if accused a third time: The Inquisitors being Clergy-men, do not pronounce the Sentence of death, but form an Act, wherein they say, the Criminal Convicted of such a Crime by his own Confession, is with much reluctancy, given up to the secular Power, to be punished according to his own demerits. This they give to the seven Judges, who attend on the left side of the Altar, who condemn the Criminal first

to be hanged, and then burnt, but *Jews* are burnt alive.

The *Inquisition* of *Goa* in the *East-Indies* is much like that of *Portugal*, where the Condemned Criminals, bear their Names and the Nature of their Crimes under their Pictures, upon their *San Benito's*, and such as are found guilty of Magick have Paper Caps, in the form of Sugar Loaves covered with Flames, and Frightful shapes of Devils: They are all Clad according to the Nature of their Crimes, go in procession to a Church, chosen for the Ceremony, and have each of them their God-fathers, that walk along with them, and are obliged to have them forth-coming after the Ceremony is over. The Criminals walk Bare Foot, and Bare Headed with lighted Torches in their Hands, the least Guilty go foremost, after the last of them that are to be discharged, comes one that Carries a Crucifix, followed by them that are to Dye, and sometimes by Men that bear Effigies hanging upon Poles, together with Boxes containing the Bones of such as are thus represented, for the *Inquisition* exercises its Jurisdiction even over the Dead, who if Convicted of any Grand Crime, have their Bodies Dug up, and their Bones Burnt. Next Day after the Execution, the Pictures of the Exempted are carried to the *Dominicans* Church, the Head is only represented on flaming Firebrands, with their Names, Country and Nature of their Crimes: Some have this Motto underneath *I Dye a relapsed Heretick*, and they that Dye asserting their Innocence, have these words under their Pictures. *A Convict Heretick, but would not Confess.*

The *Inquisition* of *Venice*, consisting of the *Pope's Nuncio* residing there, of the *Patriarch* of *Venice*, the *Father Inquisitor*, a *Franciscan*, and two *Senators*, without whose presence nothing can be done, is nothing near so severe as those of *Spain* or *Portugal*. It neither hinders the *Greeks*, nor the *Armenians* the Exercise of their Religion, and permits the Members of the Church of *Rome*, to go to their Churches, to gain Indulgencies, as they call them: They also Tollerate *Jews*.

As for the Congregation of the *Inquisition*, or of the holy Office, Confirmed by *Sixtus V.* in 1588. They consist of twelve Cardinals, named by the *Pope*, and of a great number of Prelates and Divines, named *Consultors*, of whom he that is *Commissary*, must be a *Dominican*: The Twelve Cardinals are called *Inquisitors general*, and those depute *Provincial Inquisitors* into all parts where the *Inquisition* is established.

INTERDICT, an Ecclesiastical Censure, whereby the Church of *Rome* forbids the Administration of the Sacraments, and the performance of Divine Service to a Kingdom, Province, Town, &c. Some People pretend this Custom was introduced in the 4th or 5th Century; but the Opinion that it began in the Ninth, is much more probable: There are some Instances of it since that Age, and particularly *Alexander III.* in 1170. superciliously put the Kingdom of *England* under an Interdict, forbidding the Clergy to perform any part of Divine Service, unless Baptism to Infants, taking Confessions, and giving Absolutions to dying Penitents, which was the usual restraint of an Interdict; but the

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the succeeding *Popes*, for good Reasons best known to themselves, seldom made use of it.

INTERIM, the Name given to a formulary or a kind of Confession of some Articles of Faith obtruded upon the Protestants, after *Luther's* Death, by the Emperor *Charles V.* when he had defeated their forces; so called, because it was only to take Place in the *Interim*, till a general Council should have decided all Points in dispute, between the *Protestants* and the *Romanists*: The occasion of which was this, the Council of *Trent* being removed from that City, to *Bononia* by a Translation, or rather by a Suspension; the Emperor undertook this famous *Interim*, that made so much noise in the World; he knew that in the preceding Diets, a General or at least, a National Council had been desired, to appease the Troubles of *Germany* upon the Account of Religion, and seeing there was but little hopes of having either of them suddenly Convened, he resolved to get a formulary drawn up by some Divines, who were to be deputed by the Diet then held at *Ausburg*: But those who were Nominated, being not able to come, to any accommodation, he chose three Divines, viz. *Julius*, *Plugius* Bishop *Neuremburg*, *Michael Heldin* Titular Bishop of *Sidon*, and *Suffragan* of *Mentz*, and *John Agricola* Court Preacher to the Elector of *Brandenburg*, who formed a Project, containing 26 Articles, concerning the Points of Religion in controversy between the *Protestants* and *Romanists*: The Controverted Points were, the State of *Adam* before and after his fall, the Redemption of Mankind by *Christ Jesus*, the Justification of Sinners; Charity and

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good Works, the Confidence we ought to have in God, that our sins are remitted, the Church and its true Marks, Its Power, Authority, Ministers, the *Popes* and Bishops, the Sacraments in General and Particular, the Mass, the Commemoration of Saints, their Intercession, Prayers for the Dead, and the use of Sacraments. Now the three said Divines having assured the Emperor, that there was nothing in that project, contrary to the Church of *Rome* and its Doctrine, save only the two Points, concerning the Marriage of Priests, and the use of the Cup in the Sacrament, the Emperor sent it to the Pope for his approbation, but he refusing the same, *Charles* after having altered some Expressions, published the Imperial Constitution called the *Interim*, wherein he declared that his will was, that all his Catholick Dominions should for the Future, inviolably observe the Customs, Statutes and Ordinances, of the universal Church, &c. and that those who were separated from it, should either reunite themselves to it, or at least, entirely be Conformable to that Constitution, and that all should quietly expect the Determination of the General Council: This *Interim* was published in the Diet of *Ausburg*, 1548 but this Project neither pleased the Pope nor the Protestants, who most of them protested against it.

INVENTION of the *Holy Cross*, a Festival kept in the Church of *Rome*, in memory of the Day, on which they said, our Saviour's Cross was found by the Empress *Helena*, in the time of *Constantine the Great*; concerning which they tell us the following Story: That Princess being at *Jerusalem*, was informed,

formed, that the Cross of our Saviour was buried in his Sepulchre, upon which she ordered them to dig, where they found the Cross and the Nails, together with the Crosses of the two Thieves, but the Wood on which the Inscription was made, being separated from the Cross, they could not distinguish that of our Saviour from the others, 'till *Macarius*, Bishop of *Jerusalem*, found out the following Expedient: He ordered a dying Woman to be brought and laid upon the Crosses, two of which gave her no manner of relief, but being set upon the third, she perfectly recovered from the first moment she touched it, whereby they plainly discovered, that it was the same on which our Saviour suffered: The Empress built a stately Church in the place where the Cross was found, where she left some part of the Wood richly ornamented, carrying the rest with the Nails to *Constantinople*.

INVISIBLES, a distinguishing Name given to the Disciples of *Oslander*, *Flaccius*, *Illiricus*, *Swenkfeld*, &c. being so denominated, because they denied the perpetual visibility of the Church.

INVOCATION of *Saints*; an unaccountable piece of Superstition that invaded Christianity, and took its rise from a great veneration of Martyrs; a Belief of their Presence at their Tombs, and Orations, with Historical Apostrophe's to the Deceased, of which Examples are to be found in the Panegyrics by *Basil*, *Nazianzen* and *Nyssen*, in the fourth Century; the latter calling upon their Dead, and asking their Suffrage, as if they had been really present. The Practice began in the fifth Age in the *Eastern Church*; but nothing, as far as ap-

pears, like what is now practised in the Church of *Rome*, there being no Canonizations, Processions, Masses, Litanies, Prayers and Oblations to Saints at that time.

IO, Daughter of *Inachus* and *Ismene*, debauched by *Jupiter*, and turned into a Cow by *Juno*, as the Fable goes, who Swam at last into *Egypt*, and there was adored as a she Diety under the Name of *Isis*, See *Isis*.

JOHN the Baptist, the Forerunner of our Saviour *Jesus Christ*, was the Son of *Zacharias* and *Elizabeth*, according to the Scriptures, to which we refer the Reader for the Acts of his Life, and the Circumstances of his Death, thro' the Malice of *Herodias*; the account that some Prophane Authors give of him, being not at all to be relied upon.

St. JOHN the Apostle and the Evangelist, called also the *Divine*, and the *Elder* was born at *Bethsaida* in *Galilee*, being the Son of *Zebedee*, and Brother of *James the Greater*: He was very young, called to the Apostleship, and to be Bishop of *Ephesus*, as some Authors will have it, nay, the Bishops of that City called themselves his Successors and Disciples, and in succeeding Times alledged his Authority, for their not celebrating the Feast of *Easter*, according to the Custom of the Church of *Rome*: This Apostle says our Ecclesiastical Writers, propagated the Gospel among the *Parthians* also, to whom some alledge he wrote his first Epistle, and was condemned at *Rome* by the Emperor *Domitian*, to be thrown in boiling Lead, from whence he came out more healthful than when he was put in, and was thereupon Banished to the little Isle of *Patmos*, where he wrote the *Apocalypse*:
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That after the death of *Domitian*, he returned to *Ephesus*, where he wrote his Gospel about 96 Years after *Christ*. *St. Jerom* Tells us, that the Bishops and Deputies of the Church of *Asia*, obliged him to undertake the Refutation of *Cerintus* and *Ebion*, who maintained, that *Christ* was but a Man, and that he had no Being before *Mary*; he also adds, that he was of noble Extract, and upon that account resolutely ventur'd to attend our Saviour at his Crucifixion, introduced *Peter* into the High-Priest's Hall, and kept the Blessed Virgin at his own House after *Christ*'s Death, tho' this does not seem reconcileable with his being brought up a Fisher-man; and his Interest with the High-priest, according to *Nicephorus*, proceeded from his having sold him his Estate: He is supposed to have been the Brother of *John* the Baptist's Disciple, who left him with *Andrew* to follow our Saviour: The Ancients make him to be the youngest of all the Disciples; and say he lived seven Years after *Christ*'s Sufferings: He is noted in Scripture for being more free and familiar with our Blessed Saviour, as being the Disciple whom he loved; and in requital of *Christ*'s love, waited upon him thro' the several Stages of his Tryal, tho' the Ancients suppose him to be the young Man mentioned in the Gospel, who fled naked from the Officers, when they laid hold of the Linnen-Cloth about him, but having recovered from the Surprise, did again return to him. He accompanied *St. Peter* to the Sepulcher at the first News of the Resurrection; and it appears by several Passages of Scripture, that there was more than an ordinary familiarity between these two Apostles: *Eusebius* and *Nicephorus* say; that in the Division,

the Apostles made of the Provinces *Asia* fell to his Lot, tho' he did not enter upon his Charge, 'till after the Blessed Virgin's Death, which happened Anno 48. He is said to have founded the Churches of *Smyrna*, *Pergamus*, *Thyatira*, *Sardis*, *Philadelphia*, *Laodicea*, and others, and that his principal residence was at *Ephesus*: Some will have it also that he preached in *Parthia*, the People of that Country affirming, he was the first that planted *Christianity* there. The Greek Monks in the Isle of *Patmos*, shew a dead Man's Hand, the Nails of whose Fingers grew, tho' never so often pared, which they affirmed to be that wherewith *John* wrote the *Revelations*; and the *Turks* say, 'tis the Hand of one of their Prophets, both equally true: There are various Opinions concerning his death; some say that it was natural, others that he was martyred; a third sort will not allow that he dyed at all, but place him with *Enoch* and *Elias*; and that with them two, he is to be *Christ*'s forerunner when he comes to judge the World; all which was founded on a Mistake of our Saviour's Meaning, *Mat.* 16. 28. *John* 24. 21. which is generally supposed to relate to the destruction of *Jerusalem*, which *John* outlived by many Years. From the same Original proceeds the Story of his sleeping in his Grave, and the continual boiling of the Dust, by the emotion of his Breath: *Nicephorus* says, That being in perfect Health, and fore-seeing his Translation into Heaven, he took the Ministers of *Ephesus*, and others along with him, and having recommended the Church by Prayer, to the Divine care, he commanded a Grave to be dug, and signing himself with the Cross, went down into it before them all, ordering them to lay on the Grave-stone and make it fast,

fast, and come and view it next day, which when they did, they found nothing left but the Grave-cloaths: Others added, that Oil and Manna came out of his Sepulcher, which cured all Diseases, all alike fabulous. He is generally supposed to have led a single life, noted for his indefatigable pains, and exposing himself in preaching the Gospel: His Vigilance against *Hereticks* was also remarkable: The *Revelations* are thought to have been the first of his Writings, which was rejected by the *Hereticks*, and controverted by some of the Fathers, but was received by the far greater number. *John*, called the Elder, is thought by some, to be a different Person from *John* the Apostle: It was he whom *Papias* often conversed with, as he testifies in *Eusebius*, the other Apostle of the same Name being dead; and *Papias* could not learn any thing particularly concerning this *John* the Apostle, but by the hear-say of Old Men. Besides, if we give credit to the Testimony of *St. Jerom*, there were two Sepulchers at *Ephesus*, where the Bodies of these two *Johns* lay: *Dennis*, Bishop of *Alexandria*, acknowledges, there was a great difference of Style between the Gospel and the first Epistle of *St. John*, which he did believe to be the Apostle; and the two other Epistles with the *Apocalypse*, he attributed to *St. John* the Elder; some Learned Men imagin, that the last was the same who also called himself, *Mark* mentioned, *Acts* 12. &c.

St. JOHN of *Jerusalem*, a Religious Military Order. See *Maltha*.

St. JOSEPH, Husband of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, and Foster-father of *Jesus Christ*, our Lord, was the Son of *Jacob*, according to *Matthew*, and of *Heli*, according to *Luke*: To reconcile which, many of the

Ancients believed *Joseph* was *Jacob's* own Son, or his Son according to Nature, as some express it, and only the Adopted Son of *Heli*; as *Ephraim* and *Manasses* had *Joseph* for their proper and Natural Father, and yet were adopted by *Jacob* their Grand-father. This way of explaining the Difficulty, is very clear, and stands thus. *Heli* and *Jacob* were Brothers, the first dying without Children, the second married his Widow, in conformity to the Law mentioned in *Deuteronomy*: Thus *Jacob* was the Natural Father of *Joseph*, and *Heli* was his Father in the sense of the Law, because by that Constitution, *John* was to pass for his Son, and continue his Family.

IRIS, properly the *Rainbow*, but by the Heathen Poets made a kind of Divinity, and the Messenger of *Juno*, of which we have nothing more to our purpose to say in this place.

ISITES, or *ISII*, a *Mahometan* Sect, and a Branch of that called *Moatazali*, having taken its Name from *Isa Alerdad*, the Author of it; their Tenets are, that the *Alcoran* was created, contrary to *Mahomet's* express Words, who anathematize all that are of this Perswasion; but for the better solution of it, they say the *Alcoran* delivered by *Mahomet*, was but a Copy transcribed out of that wrote by God himself, and kept in the Library of Heaven; and that when their Prophet denies the Creation of the *Alcoran*, he hath reference only to the Original, and not to his own Hand-writing, copied from the first Exemplar: They also deny the common Tenet of the *Mahometans*, viz. The incomparable and matchless Eloquence of the *Alcoran*, as their Prophet himself would have had it to be.

ISIS, An *Egyptian* Goddess, whose Sacrifice

Sacrifices and Worship were altogether infamous, upon which Account it was, that the Priests were forbid to say any thing concerning them, that the Roman Senate often prohibited the Practice of them in their City: Some suppose *Isis* to be the same with *Jo* of the Greeks and *Cybele* of the Romans viz. the Earth or Nature, which may be concluded from the likenels of the Figures, attributed to both these false Divinities: For *Cybele* was represented with a Tower upon her Head, accompanied by Lions, with a Cymbal in her Hand, and was called the great or Universal Mother; *Isis* was represented much after the same manner, with a *Sistrum* in her Hand, being a Musical Instrument, not unlike a Cymbal, and was often called *Terra* or *Natura*, for which reason she was also represented with many Beasts, and *Apuleius* tells us, that this Diety was worshipped by the whole World, tho' under different Names: Historians indeed say, *Isis* was a Queen of Egypt, and being the first Contriver of building of Ships, wherein she sailed to remote parts, and taught People Religious worship and Agriculture, she by that means acquired so much esteem as to be accounted the Goddess of the Earth: *Julian* the Apostate caused Medals to be shaped, in Honour of this Diety, wherein she was represented with a ship in her Hand, and *Apuleius* witnesses that she was looked upon as the Goddess of the Sea, as having first found out the Art of Navigation, or at least the use of Sails, without which the Art was imperfect. Some will tell us, that this false Goddess had a Magnificent Temple in the time of Heathenism at *Paris* in France, and gave her name to that City. However this were, 'tis certain she had many at *Rome*, of which

twill be to Tedious, and of no great Moment to give the Particulars.

ISRAEL, the Name which the Angel gave to *Jacob*, after having wrestled with him, and signifies a Prince of God, whence the Posterity of this Patriarch were called *Israelites*.

ISTHMIAN GAMES, These were Solemnities represented every three Years by the *Grecians* in Honour of their false Divinity *Neptune*, or according to others of *Melicertes*, who according to the fable, having Cast himself into the Sea, was changed into a Sea-God: They took their Name from the *Isthmus* of *Corinth*, where they were celebrated.

JUBILEE, According to the Corrupt usage of the Church of *Rome*, are Solemn Indulgencies granted by the Pope, to all of his Communion. *Boniface VIII.* was the first that instituted it, in 1300 in imitation of that of the Jews, ordering it to be observed every 100th Year. *Clement 6th* reduced it to Fifty, *Urban* the Fourth to Thirty, and *Sixtus IV.* to 25, where it hath Continued ever since: Besides this, the Popes upon their Exaltation to the Sea of *Rome*, have frequently celebrated a Jubilee, as likewise upon other Extraordinary occasions. The Ceremony observed at *Rome*, for the Jubilee, at every 25 Years End, which they call the Holy Year, is this. The Pope goes to *Sr. Peter's Church* to Open the Holy Gate (as they call it) which is Walled up, and only opened upon this occasion, and Knocking three times at the said Gate, with a Golden Hammer, says these words *Aperite mihi Portas Justitiæ*, &c. Open to me the Gates of Righteousness, I will go to them and Praise the Lord, *Pf. 118. 19.*

whereupon the Masons fall to Work to break down the Wall, that Stop'd the Gate, which done, the Pope Kneels down before it, whilst the Penitentiaries of St. Peter wath him with Holy Water; and then taking up the Cross he begins to sing *Te Deum*, and enters the Church with the Clergy at his Heels: In the mean while, three Cardinal Legates, are sent to open the other three Holy Gates, with the same Ceremonies, which are in the Churches of St. John of Lateran, of St. Paul, and St. Mary Majore, and performed at the first vespers, or Evening Song of *Christmas Eve*, and the next Morning, the Pope gives his Benediction to the People in the *Jubilee* form. When the Holy Year is Expired, they shut up the Holy Gates again on *Christmas Eve* in this manner: The Pope after he has blessed the Stones and Mortar, lays the first Stone and leaves there Twelve Boxes full of Gold and Silver Medals.

The *Jewish Jubilee* was celebrated every Fifty Years, the word is deriv'd from *Jivel*, which in Hebrew signifies a *Rams-Horn*; because the Year of *Jubilee* was proclaimed with them, which was a Year of General Rest and universal Liberty, wherein all servants were restored to their freedom, and all sold Possessions returned to their first owners: The *Jews* observed these *Jubilees* very exactly, till the *Babylonian Captivity*, but after their return, did no longer observe it; for their Doctors assure us, that there were no *Jubilees*, under the second Temple.

S. J U E, called also *Thaddeus*, was the Brother of S. James the less. He preached in *Mesopotamia*, *Syria*, *Arabia*, *Idumæa*, and the adjacent Countries, and died a Martyr of

Christ in the City of *Berytus*: He writ the Epistle we have in the New Testament, and as *Oecumenius* observes, after the Death of most of the Apostles: This Apostle was of our Lord's Kindred, being the Son of *Joseph*, and Brother to *James*: We have no certain Account in Scripture, of the time when he was called to the Apostleship, nor is there any thing in particular recorded of him, save that Question to our Saviour *John. 14. 22. Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thy self to us, and not to the World*; because, like others, he had the false notion of *Christ's* temporal Kingdom: *Eusebius* says, St. Thomas sent this Apostle to *Abgarus* King of *Edessa*, where he cured diseases, wrought Miracles, converted him and his People, and rejected the large gifts and Presents offered him by that Prince: And *Nicephorus* says, that the other *Thaddæus* had been there before him, so that he only perfected what he had begun, and dyed a Natural Death, but *Dorotheus* will have him slain, and Honourably buried at *Berytus*: But most of our *Latin* writers say, he travelled into *Persia*, and after great success in his Labours for many Years, was cruelly put to Death, for reproving the Superstition of the *Magi*: His Epistle, according to *Eusebius*, was not generally received for some time by the Church, but upon weak and frivolous Arguments; as his quoting a Passage of an Apocryphal Book of *Enoch*, and that other of the Contention of *Michael* the Archangel and the Devils about the Body of *Moses*, neither of them being extant in Scripture. But St. Paul's mentioning *Jannes* and *Jambres*, the *Magicians* that opposed *Moses*, tho' no where named in Sacred Writ, is a sufficient answer to that Objection.

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JUDGMENT, Understanding, in Latin *Mens*, a Heathen Diety, Worshipped by the *Romans*, to whom they address their Prayers for a good and Right Mind or understanding, her Temple was in the Capitol, and *Ovid* in his *Fastorum*, speaks thus of her,

*Mens quoque Numen habet, Mentis
delubra Videmus;*

the *Greeks*, gave the Name of *Nês* to this Diety, tho' *Plato* believed her to be nothing else save the Soul of the World, diffused thro' the Universe.

JUGATINUS, A Heathen Diety of the *Romans*, presiding over Marriages, at the Conjunction of Husband and Wife.

JUMALA, An Idol Diety of the Inhabitants of *Finland* and *Lapland*, represented by a Figure of a Man, sitting upon a kind of an Altar, having a Crown upon his Head set with twelve Precious Stones, and a great Gold Chain about his Neck: The *Laplanders* supposed this Idol-God, to have the Command over all lesser Divinities, with an absolute Dominion over the Elements, Life and Death. He held on his Knees a great Cup of Gold, filled with Money, of the same Mettle: His Temple was in a Forest.

JUNO; A Heathen Goddess, the Daughter of *Saturn* and *Rhea*, otherwise called *Cybele* and *Ops*, and the Sister and Wife of *Jupiter*. She was esteemed the Goddess of Kingdoms and Riches, and known by great diversity of Names, and indeed as some Men have confounded all the Gods with *Jupiter*, those who made the Image of *Juno*, mentioned by *Lucian*, had the like Design to incorporate all the Goddesses in her Person. She presided over Weddings and Women in Labour, and when the *Roman* Ladies were Barren, they went into her Temple, where having pul-

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led off their Cloaths, and lying upon the ground, they were lashed by a *Lupercal* Priest, with thongs made of Goat Skins, and thus became fruitful; she was called *Juro Lucina*, a *Luce*, because (as already mentioned,) she helped Women to bring forth Children, and shew them the Light, and for the same Reason she was also Named *Opigena*, and *Obstetrrix*, *Juga*, because she presided at the Yoke of Marrimony, and consequently over the Union of the Husband and Wife, and by reason of that qualification, had an Altar erected to her in one of the Streets of *Rome*; *Domiduca*, because she conducted the Bride to the Bridegroom's House; she was also called *Unxia*, *Cinxia*, *Fluonia*, *Moneta*, *Regina*, &c. In a word with the Pagans, she was like a *Guardian Angel* to Women, in the same manner as their false Diety *Genius*, was reputed the keeper of Men; she had many Temples erected to her.

JUNONALIA, A Festival kept by the Pagans, in Honour of the false Goddess *Juno*, the same having been instituted, on occasion of certain Prodigies, that happened in *Italy*, wherefore the *Pontiffs* ordered that Seven and Twenty Young Girls, divided into three Bands, should walk singing a Song composed by the Poet *Livius*; but while they were learning the Song by Heart, in the Temple of *Jupiter Stator*, the Thunder fell upon the Temple of Queen *Juno*, in Mount *Aventine*: Whereupon the South-sayers having been Consulted, answered that the *Roman* Ladies, were concerned in this Prodigy, and that they should pacify the Goddess by some Sacrifices and Offerings, wherefore they collected Money, and bought a Golden Basin, and presented the Goddess with it on Mount *Aventine*: Then the *Decemviri* appointed a Day for a Solemn Sacrifice,

Sacrifice, which was thus Ordered; two White Cows were led from the Temple of *Apollo*, into the City thro' the Gate called *Carmentalis*, and two Images of *Juno* made of Cypress were carried: Then Marched Seven and Twenty Girls, Cloathed in long Gowns, Singing a Hymn in Honour of the Goddess: Then followed the *Decemvirs*, Crowned with Lawrel, and Clad with Robes, edged with Purple: This Pomp passed by the *Viens* Gate, and stopped in the great Field of *Rome*, where the Girls fell a Dancing, keeping time with the Hymn, from whence they proceeded by the *Tuscan-Street*, and *Velabrum* thro' the Market for Oxen, and arrived at the Temple of *Juno*, where the *Victims* were Sacrificed by the *Decemvirs*, and the Image of Cypress wood set up therein, which Terminated this Religious sort of Ceremony.

JUPITER, A Pagan Divinity and called by the Ignorant Heathens, the Father of the Gods and Men, was the Son of *Saturn* and *Cybele*: The Ancients bestowed a Multitude of Names upon him, *Cicero* says, there were three *Jupiters*, but others going far beyond him, instead of three 300, found being part of the 30000 Gods, owned by the Heathens: However all the Actions of these different *Jupiters* are attributed to one only, who conquered the *Titans* and the *Giants*, was the Father of *Mercury*, *Apollo* and *Minerva*, and who to satisfy his Lust, so often transformed himself into a Beast, Bird, &c. The Heathen Divinity seems by *Jupiter* to understand that Intelligence, which Created the World, whom they therefore call *Μοιραγέτης*, i.e. the Conductor and Director of the *Parce* or Destinies, as being that mind which ordered all these things, which Human frailty imputed to Fate and De-

stiny. *Pausanias* assures us the *Greeks* had a Statue of *Jupiter*, with three Eyes, to intimate his Knowledge of all things, in *Heaven*, *Earth* and *Hell*, or of things past, present and to come: Every Nation had their *Jupiter*, called by several Names; but the *Greeks* and *Romans*, called the Sovereign God of each Nation, by the Name of *Jupiter*: It would be Tedious to particularize the several *Jupiters* there were; as that of *Ammon*, *Capitolinus*, *Conservator*, *Elicius*, *Feretrius*, *Imperator*, *Inventor*, *Latialis*, *Pistor*, *Stator*, *Ultor*, *Tonans*, *Olympius*, &c. With the several Temples and Adorations paid to them.

JUSTICE, A Heathen Goddess, represented by the Ancients, in the form of a Virgin, with a severe look, holding a Pair of Scales in one Hand, and a Sword in the other, or Rods and a Bundle of Hatchets, and sitting upon a Square Stone: she was also frequently represented Blind-fold, to shew that, *Justice* should be administered without all Distinction of Persons: The *Egyptians* made her Statue without any Head, to intimate that Judges must do nothing of their own Heads, but wholly divest themselves of their own Opinions and Inclinations, and purely follow the Decisions of the Laws. *Aratus* in his *Phænomena* gives us still a finer Description of the Goddess *Justice*, who during the Golden Age, was Night and Day conversant on Earth, amongst People of all sorts of Age, Sex and Condition, Teaching her Law; that during the Silver Age, she only appeared in the Night and in secret, reproaching Men with their Unlawful ways, but in the Iron Age, she was forced to quit the Earth, and retire to Heaven, because of the Multitude and enormity of Crimes: I do not meet with any Temples erected in Honour to her,

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her, nor what sort of Adoration was paid her.

JUTURNA, A Heathen Goddess or Nymph, worshipped by the Romans, especially by Women and Maidens; the Women by her Assistance, expecting an easy and safe delivery, and the Maids happy Matches: The Common Story of her at Rome was, that being a Maiden of great Beauty, Jupiter fell in Love with her, and that as a reward of her Mutual Affection, he had bestowed the Gift of Immortality upon her, by changing her into a Fountain, or rather the Nymph of it: This Fountain of Juturna, was in Latium near Rome, the Water of which was made use of in all Sacrifices, especially in those of the Goddess Vesta, wherein it was prohibited to make use of any other, and was therefore called Virgin-Water.

JUVENTUS, Called by the Greeks Hebe, among the Pagans, was the Goddess Youth; Servius Tullius placed this Idol in the Capitol, and the Roman Historians tell us, that when Tarquinius Priscus, designed to Consecrate a Temple there to Jupiter Capitolinus, and to that end had Caused those of other Dieties to be Demolished; the God Terminus, and the Goddess Juventa did by signs, declare their unwillingness to be removed from thence, and therefore were continued there. M. Livius, the Consul vowed a second Temple to her, the same Day he gained the Victory over Asdrubal, and afterwards gave Orders for the Building of it, when he was Cenfor, and it was dedicated Sixteen Years after.

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KADARI, See CADARIANS.

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ZADELI, A Mahometan Sect of very Modern date among the Turks, which had its Rise in the Reign of Sultan Morat, and whose Chief Promoter was one Burgali Effendi, who invented many Ceremonies in praying for departed Souls, at the Burial of the Dead: The followers of it, cause their Imaum to Cry aloud in the Ears of the Corps, to remember that God is one, and his Prophet is one, and the Principal Devotees here are Russians and other Runagado Christians.

KADRI, See CADRITES.

KALENDERI, A Religious order, among the Mahometans, tho' it may indeed be rather Termed the Sect of the Epicureans, then Men retired to Mortify their appetites, and Deny the World as the rest pretend to. But yet they pretend to Religion by a different way of Libertinism, and Loosness in their Conversation: Indeed they do pretend, that their founder Santone Kalenderi gave himself much to a Mortified Life, tho' he was greatly addicted to Musick. But how strict and Sober soever he was, his Disciples are of another Temper; for they live in much Jollity and Banish all kind of Melancholy and Sadness, are free from Cares, Passions or Torments of the Mind, and have this saying Common amongst them: *This Day is ours, too Morrow is his, who shall live to Enjoy it*: And therefore they industriously attend all Moments of pleasure, Consuming their time in Eating and Drinking, to Maintain which they will sell the Stones of their Girdles, Earrings and Bracelets: They account the Tavern as Holy as Mosques, and believe they serve God, as much with Debauchery, or Liberal use of his Creatures (as they call it) as others with Seve-

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rity and Mortification; nay, the *Turks* say, that in the *Hegira* 615 the Christians became Masters of *Jerusalem*, by reason the *Institutor* of the order of the *Kalenderi*, was found Drunk, when it was assaulted.

KEBBERS, A sort of Heathens that are tollerated, as *Isbahan* in *Persia*, and dwell in the Suburbs called *Kebrabath*; *Kebber* comes from the *Turkish* Word *Kiaphir* i. e. A Runagado or Apostate, they have nothing Common with the other *Persians*, but only the Language: They have neither Temples nor Priests, neither do they make use of any Books of Morality or Devotion, yet they believe the Immortality of the Soul and something of a Hell, and place of pleasure like the *Elizian* Fields, conformable to the Opinion of the Ancient Heathens: When any of them Dies they let a Cock into the Fields, out of the House of the Person deceased, and if a Fox chanceth to Snatch it, they Conclude the Soul to be saved: But they have another proof besides this, which they look upon to be more certain, they dress the Dead Body in its best Cloaths, and Deck it with its Chiefest Ornaments, and then carry it to the Church Yard, and set it upright against the Wall, by the means of a forked Stick, they put under the Chin of the Dead Corps, to support it in that Posture, and if the Ravens or other Birds chance to pick out its Right Eye, they Conclude the party to be amongst the Number of the Blessed: But if they Light upon the other Eye, they take it for an infallible Sign, that the deceased Person is Damned, and upon that they throw the Body in a Disgraceful manner, with its Head downwards into a Pit.

KEBLAH, KEBLEH or *Kibleh*,

An *Arabick* Term that properly signifies the place towards which they turn, which one hath or ought to have before him: But the *Mahometans* more particularly call that part of the World where *Mecca* is situated by this Name; towards which they are obliged to turn themselves, when they say their Prayers: And because *Mecca* is Scituate towards the South, this word *Kibleh* is often taken for the South part of the Heavens and the Earth, as also for the Winds that blow from that Quarter.

KERAMIANS, the Name of the followers of *Mahomet Ben Kerom*, who maintained, that what was said of the Arms, Eyes and Ears of God in the *Alcoran*, was to be taken literally, insomuch that they allowed of the *Tagiassum* i. e. some sort of Corporiety in the Divine Majesty, which yet they explain divers ways.

KESSARABIANS, The Name of a *Mahometan* Sect, which believed that *Mahomet* said, *Ben Hanefali* or *Hanefiah*, who was the Son of *Ali* by his Wife *Fatimah*, was not Dead, and that he should in time Reign over all the *Mussulmans*.

KING of Sacrifices, A *Roman* Magistrate, who had the disposing of all that was necessary for the Sacrifices they offered to their Dieties, and the Solemnities of their Festivals: He was set up, after the expulsion of their Kings, because there were certain Sacrifices, wherein it was Customary for the King himself to Officiate, that there might be some Body to represent the Royal Character: However, to preserve their Liberty he had the Administration of nothing but what appertained to Religion, and even in that the *Pontifex Maximus* was above him.

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LACHESIS, One of the three Destinies, and a kind of Diety among the *Pagans*, the Daughter of *Jupiter* and *Themis*, or of the *Night* and *Erebus*, who spins the thread of Man's Life, according to the fable: the Ancients represented her Cloathed with a Garment sprinkled with Stars, and holding many spindles in her Hands. I know of no Temple nor Adoration given her.

LACTUCINA, A kind of a Heathen Goddess, to whom the *Pagans* attributed the care of vegetables, while they were yet milky and juicy, from the Latin word *Lac*.

LAMA, The Name of the High Priest of the People of *Barantola*, of the Southern *Asiatick Tartary*; this Kingdom is Governed by two Kings, or Chief Governors, whereof the first called *Deva*, applies himself to secular Affairs; while the other Named *Lama*, lives retired from the World, and is not only adored by the Inhabitants of the Country for a diety, but also by the other Kings of *Tartary*, who send him Rich Presents, and go in Pilgrimage to pay to him their Adorations, calling him *Lama-cangiu*, i. e. *God the Father everlasting of Heaven*: He is never to be seen but in a secret place of his Pallace, enlightned with many Lamps, where he sits cross Legg'd on a Cushion, in a place raised from the ground, himself being all over Gold and Precious Stones; where they prostrate themselves at a distance before him, it being not lawful for any so much as to kiss his Feet: He is called the Great *Lama*, or *Lama of Lama's*, that is Priest of Priests: And to make them believe he is Eternal, when he dies, the Petty-Priests put up another in his stead, and so continue

the Imposture from Generation to Generation: These Priests perswade the People, that the *Lama* was raised up from Death and Hell seven hundred Years before, and that he hath lived ever since, and shall live for ever; he is Honoured to that degree, that the greatest Kings, Lords and Princes, look upon it as the highest favour to have a small particle of his Excrements, which they hang about their Necks in a Gold Box, as an approved Amulet against all manner of Evils.

LANCU, The third Religious Sect among the *Chinese*, so called from a Philosopher, who was Contemporary with *Confucius*, called *Lanou*, or *Lanzu*, that is, the Ancient Philosopher; for they say of him that he continued fourscore Years in his Mothers Womb before he was Born, they boast of their Power to divert all manner of Evils, by means of Charms, and to cast out Devils from possessed Persons, and all other Places whatsoever.

LARES, The Household Gods of the *Pagan Romans*, and some other Heathen Nations, whose Images they kept in their Houses, and offered Wine and Incense to them; somewhat usually of what was brought upon the Table was burnt to their Honour, as first Fruits, or they publicly Sacrificed a Sow to them, as being Keepers and Overseers of Highways and Streets; for they were divided among the *Romans* into publick and private *Lares*: Nay, all kinds of false dieties whatsoever appointed by Towns, Emperors, or Private Men for their tutelar Gods, and of whom they kept small Images, were called *Lares*; and for this reason, the Feasts of the Gods *Lares*, solemnized the eleventh Day before the Calends of *January*, is by *Macrobius* called the solemnity of the little Statues. They were usually

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ally represented cloathed with a Dogs skin, and having a mastiff Dog by them to indicate their watchfulness and fidelity, they set up burning Lamps before their Figures, Crowned their Heads and Perfumed them almost every Day with Effusions.

LATERANUS, From *Later* a Brick, a Heathen diety of the *Romans*, who had the care of *Hearths*, besides which we know nothing more of him.

LATINÆ FÆRIÆ, Heathen Festivals, Celebrated four Days together, yet had no fixt time in the Year appointed for their solemnization; only the Consuls of *Rome* were bound to solemnize the same before they went to War, and it was superstitiously observed, that those who neglected that Duty were unfortunate in their undertaking. *Tarquinius Superbus*, after he had vanquished the *Tuscans*, to maintain the Confederacy concluded by this means with the *Latins*, they agreed about the time of their meeting upon Mount *Albanus*, whither they repaired from all Parts; and every one brought along with him his own Portion for the Offering, either Milk, Cheese, or Lambs, wherewith they made a Feast all together in token of Union: But the most remarkable thing at this Festival was the Sacrificing of a Bull, offered to their false God *Jupiter Latialis*; for 'tis observed, that every one of those that were present, carried home a piece of the Bulls entrails, tho' never so little: And if any Man failed to bring some offering, or carry home a piece of the victims, or neglected some other duty, they were superstitiously obliged to begin again, and that mistake was esteemed a great misfortune.

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LAVERNA, The Name of a Heathen Goddess, whom the *Romans* considered as the Protectress of Thieves and Robbers, and in Honour of whom they were so Sottish as to build a Temple; she had also a Wood Consecrated to her, where the Thieves shared their Booty.

LAURENTALIA, Feasts instituted by the Heathen *Romans*, in Honour of *Acca Laurentia*, kept during the Festivals, called *Saturnalia*, and were afterwards solemnized as a part thereof, see *Saturnalia*.

LECTISTERNIUM, A Great and Religious Ceremony among the *Pagan Romans*, seldom practised but upon occasion of some great and publick Calamity: When it was performed, the Statues of their false Gods were brought down from their Basis or Pedestals, and then laid upon Beds made for that purpose in their Temples, with Willows under their Heads, and in this posture, they were magnificently entertained: There were three most stately Beds made whereon they laid the Statues of *Jupiter* and *Apollo*, with that of *Latona*, *Diana*, *Hercules*, *Neptune* and *Mercury*, to pacify them: Then all the Gates were opened, and the Tables were every where served with Victuals: Foreigners known or unknown, were lodged and entertained for nothing; all occasions of Hatred and Quarrel were forgot, they conversed with their Enemies like Friends, and liberty was granted to all Prisoners.

LEMURIA, Feasts Celebrated by the Heathen *Romans*, in Honour of the *Lemures*, that is, the Ghosts and Apparitions of the Dead; they continued three Nights after another, but allowed a Night of rest between each: In these Feasts they cast Beans into the fire on the Altar,

as superstitiously supposing thereby to drive the *Lemures* out of their Houses, or to hinder them from entering into them: The Temples were all shut up during this Feast, neither were there any Weddings Celebrated all that time, as supposing that all Marriages then made would prove unfortunate.

LENT, A Fast of forty Days observed in the Christian Church, according to very antient tradition; it being mentioned by the Councils of *Nice* and *Laodicea*, as a Custom well known in the Church; and to go higher *Ireneus* takes notice, that in his time, some fasted two Days, some more, some forty, and that the last proportion of time was the most regular and exact, as Doctor *Beveridge* interprets him in a Discourse of his upon this Head; in which he endeavours to make it probable, that the forty Days Fast before *Easter*; tho' not strictly Comanded by the Apostles, yet being then Practised by some Persons of extraordinary Devotion, might be approved by them; the length of *Lent* anciently in the *Greek* Church was seven Weeks, but in the *Latin* only six, the number of their fasting were equal in both Churches, they amounting to no more than thirty six, which were a sort of tythe of the Year, which they offered to God by the Practise of Mortification and Penance; the reason why the time observed by the *Latins* and *Greeks* was equal, tho' the Weeks were unequal, was because the *Greeks* neither fasted on *Sundays* nor *Saturdays* in *Lent*, save on *Saturday* in the Passion Week; but for the *Latins*, their Fast was only discontinued on *Sundays*. The *Greeks* in the Year 642. explained themselves upon this matter in the Council of *Trullo*, where they de-

clared that *Saturdays* and *Sundays*, and the Feast of the Annuntiation were not to come into the *Lenten* Fast, excepting only the *Saturday* in the Passion Week: Others who fasted neither upon *Sunday*, *Saturday*, nor *Thursday*, began their *Lent* nine Weeks before *Easter*, which yet took in no more than thirty six Days of Abstinence.

Having said thus much concerning the time of *Lent*, 'twill not be improper to take notice of what sort of eating was allowed: Now the ancient Practise in the Western Church was to forbear Flesh, Eggs, Milk-meats and Wine, and not to eat till the Evening. As for Fish, it was not forbidden, tho' there were many Christians who refused to eat any thing but Pulse and Fruit: As for fowl, some distinguishing People concluded them not within the Prohibition, and they gave this reason, because Fowls and Fishes were created out of the water the same Day, and therefore being the Element and the time were the same, they thought the use of the one might be permitted as well as the other, but this refining was generally disapproved of: *Lent* in the Eastern Church was always observed with great Austerity, the major part sustaining themselves with nothing but Bread, Water and Pulse, but in Process of time, the rigour of fasting wore off gradually; for before the Year 800. the liberty of Wine, Eggs, and Milk-meats, were not only allowed to sick Persons, but likewise to those who could not keep up the strength of their Constitution, and manage their Employments well without it. And now the restraints of fasting went no farther than the forbidding of Flesh, and the Eating till after Vespers in the Evening; these Re-

laxations were first Practised in the *Latin* Church, but afterwards gained ground among the *Greeks*, the *Monks* excepted, who still fast up to the ancient Rigours; the *Latins*, as I observed before, eat once a Day, and that in the Evening, which Custom continued in the Western Church till the Year 1200. As for the *Greeks* they Dined at Noon, and had a Collation of Sallad and Fruits in the Evening, from the sixth Century downwards; and in the thirteenth, the *Latins* began to take some Sweet-meats to keep their Stomachs from being out of order, and then made a Meal in the Evening: The Custom of Dining at Noon in *Lent* was not brought in all at once; the first step from the ancient usage was by bringing up Supper time to three a Clock in the Afternoon, the Custom then being to ring the Bell at the hour of Noon, or three a Clock. After Noon Mass was said, and after Mass Vespers, which being ended they went to Supper, but those who either wanted leasure or Devotion to be at Divine Service, took the Bell in the wrong sence, and made it a signal for Eating instead of Prayers.

Besides the Antepaschal *Lent*, the *Greeks* had four others, which they called the *Lent* of *Christmas*, of the Apostles, of the Transfiguration and of the Assumption, but each of these were reduced to a Week, and were rather Fasts of Devotion than Obligation, at least, to the Laity; the *Monks* in the *Latin* Church observed three *Lents*, as *Bede* observes, who lived in the Eighth Century, *i. e.* the *Lent* before *Easter*, the *Lent* before *Christmas*, or *Advent*, and that which followed *Pentecost*, and all these three *Lents* were forty Days each: It's indeed probable, that the *Lents* of

Christmas and *Pentecost*, were imposed upon Penitents, and likewise observed by the Ecclesiasticks and some of the devout Laity, but were never decreed by the Church to oblige all its Members.

LIBELLATICI, The Name given in the Primitive Church, to those Mungrel Christians, who to save their Estates, or Lives, got Attestations from the Heathen Magistrates, that they had obeyed the Edicts of the Emperors, in Sacrificing to Idols; and for this purpose, they either privately by themselves or by other Persons, declared before the Magistrate, that they renounced their Faith, and so delivered themselves, either by Money, or favour from the Lash of the Law, which required this Renunciation to be done in Publick: This doubtless was a Heinous Sin, and the *African* Church would not admit of such into Communion, but after long series of Penance; and for as much as these kind of Penances, were very severe, they frequently addrest themselves to Confessors or Martyrs, to obtain by their Intercession a Relaxation of these Church Punishments, which was called the *Begging of Peace*. The Abuse of these Concessions of Peace, became the occasion of a great Schism in the Church of *Carthage*, in the time of *St. Cyprian*, which is mentioned under *Felicitimus*.

LIBERALIA, See *Bacchanalia*.

LIBERALITY, A false Goddess worshipped by the *Romans*, and a vertue often Practised by Good Emperors, but I know of no outward Adoration paid unto it.

LIBERTY, A Goddess worshipped by the *Romans*, and by the *Greeks*, by the Name of *Eleutheria*; she had a Temple Dedicated to her at *Rome*, and was represented by a Woman

Woman Clad in white, having a Scepter in the right Hand and an Hat in the left, with a Cat standing by her.

LIBERTINES, A Sect of Christian Hereticks, whose Ringleaders were *Quintin*, a Taylor of *Picardy*, and one *Copin*, who about 1525. divulged their Errors in *Holland* and *Brabant*; they maintained that whatsoever was done by Men, was done by the Spirit of God, and from thence concluded there was no Sin, but to those that thought it so, because all came from God; they added, that to live without any doubt or scruple, was to return to the State of Innocency, and gave way to their followers to call themselves either Catholicks or *Lutherans*, according as the Company they lighted amongst were.

LIBITINA, A Heathen Goddess, supposed by the Ancients to preside over Funerals, and to whom there was a Temple built at *Rome*, wherein was kept whatever was necessary for Funeral solemnities, which were bought or borrowed of the *Libitinarii*, as every one had occasion; some make her to be the same with *Proserpina*, others with *Venus*, and hence her Name is derived from *Libitum*, or *Libido*, i. e. *Lust*; and *Plutarch* seems to be of this Opinion, when he saith, that the reason why the *Romans* kept all Funeral Furniture in the Temple of *Venus*, was to put Men in mind of the frailty of their Natures, and that the going out of the World is near the Entry, seeing that the same Goddess who presided over the Cause or Principle of Life, was also the superintendant of Funerals.

LILIT, A word made use of by the *Jews* to signify a Spectrum or Ghost, which takes away or kills young Children in the Night time,

for which reason as soon as any *Jewish* Woman is brought to Bed, they place little bits of Paper at the four Corners of the Room where the Woman lies in, with these words upon them, *Adam* and *Eve*, *Lilit* get thee gone, with the Names of three Angels, and this they do to secure the Child from all manner of Sorcery or Enchantment. This *Lilit* according to the *Jewish* Stories, was *Adam's* first Wife, who refusing to be obedient to him, flew into the Air by virtue of pronouncing the great Name of God; a strange piece of Blindness or Superstition.

LITÆ, were certain Heathen Goddesses according to *Homer*, whose Office was to procure Men either the good things they desired of God, or of other Men, and were represented to be Lamè, Squint-Eyed and Wrinkled, which is only an Allegory, and nothing else but our Prayers and Supplications, which are Lamè, to denote, that God doth not immediately grant Men their desires; Squint-Eyed; to represent the corrupt and selfish respects of our Prayers, and wrinkled to set forth the weakness, staggerings and doubts wherewith they are Accompanied.

LITANY, Signifies Prayer or Supplication, but more especially used for a kind of publick supplication, whereby the Mercy of God was in a solemn manner publickly and ardently implored. Among the many kinds of supplications used in the Church of *Rome*, there are two very remarkable, the lesser and greater. The first called, Rogations, Processions, or the third Day Litany, because Celebrated before the Ascension of our Saviour, is very ancient: The Greater called the *Gregorian* from *Gregory* the

Great, the Institutor of it in 594. *Rome* and *Italy* being at that time infected with a Pestilence that followed the inundation of the *Tiber*, and swept away Thousands of People; *Gregory* disposed of all the People of *Rome* into seven orders; the Priests led the Van, next the *Abbots* with their *Monks*, *Abbesses* and *Nuns*; then the Children after them, the *Laicks* followed by Widows, and the Married Women brought up the Rear; this superstitious Custom is still observed at *Rome* every Year with much Pomp and outward shew.

LITURGY, In *Greek*, signifies all manner of *Divine Service* in general, but was usually taken for the Communion Service in the *Greek Church*, and that which is called the Mass in the Church of *Rome*; the Liturgies are diversified according to the diversity of Nations professing the Christian Religion; the *Armenians* have their Liturgy in the Old *Armenian Tongue*, which they say, according to the relation of *Gallanus*, was Composed by one of their Patriarchs Named *John*, who lived sometime after the Council of *Chalcedon*; the Liturgies of the *Cophti* is in *Cophtick*, or *Egyptian*, which is now scarcely understood by any body; for which reason there is an *Arabick* version in their Manuscript Copies; the *Æthiopian* Liturgy is in the Old *Æthiopick* Tongue, tho' they as well as the *Syrians* call their Liturgy *Chaldaick*: As for the *Greeks* they have four Liturgies, viz. Those of *St. James*, *St. Mark*, *St. John Chrysostom*, and *St. Basil*; but they ordinarily use only the two last, and most of the Eastern People too fondly believe, that these Liturgies were really Composed by those whose Names they bear: There are many more *Syri-*

ack Liturgies than there are *Greek*. the *Jacobins* reckon up forty different ones, all under different Names, and all in Manuscript; the *Maronites* have Printed their Missal at *Rome* in 1592. which contains twelve Liturgies; the *Nestorians* have also theirs in *Syriack*; but so much of this Head.

LUBENTINA LIBENTINA, Or *Lubentia*, a false Goddess made by the Heathens to be the superintendant of Pleasure, and of following the desires of ones own Heart, and of every thing that was to the liking of it.

LUCARIA, A Heathen Festival Celebrated at *Rome* on the 18th of *July*, in Commemoration of the flight of the *Romans* into a great Wood near the River *Allia*, whither they made their Escape.

S. LUKE, The Evangelist born at *Antioch*, the Metropolis of *Syria*, and a Physician by profession: Besides his Gospel, he writ the Acts of the Apostles, which comprehends the Ecclesiastical History of twenty nine or thirty Years from Anno D. 33. till *St. Paul's* being a Prisoner at *Rome* the first time, which was in sixty three, and it makes it probable that he writ that Book at *Rome* at the same time: It's disputed among the Fathers whether he dyed a Martyr or no; *Jerom* says, he never was Married, but lived till he was eighty four Years of Age: *Eusebius* mentions him, and *Dr. Cave* adds, that several others write, that he not only Studied at *Antioch*, then very famous for Learned Men, but in all the Schools both of *Greece* and *Egypt*, and besides his ability in Physick was said to have good skill in Painting; some say he dyed in *Egypt*, others in *Greece*, *Bythinia* and *Ephesus*; some make his Death violent, and

and others natural: *Nicephorus*, his account is, that coming into *Greece* he successfully Preached, and Baptized many Converts to the Christian Faith, till a party of Infidels making head against him, drew him to Execution, and for want of a Cross, hanged him presently upon an Olive-Tree, in the eighty or eighty fourth Year of his Age. *Hirstenius* makes him to have suffered Martyrdom at *Rome*, which he thinks might probably be after *St. Paul's* first Imprisonment there, and departure thence, when *Luke* being left behind him as his Deputy to supply his place, was shortly after put to Death: The reason says he, why he continued no longer his History of the Apostles Acts, which surely he would have done, had he lived any considerable time after *St. Paul's* departure.

As for his Gospel, *St. Jerom* supposes it to have been written in *Achaia*, during his Travels with *St. Paul* in those Parts, whose help he is generally said to have made use of in the Composing of it; nor does it at least detract from the Authority of his Account, that he was not present at the doing of them; since he has delivered nothing in his whole Narration, but what he had immediately received from Persons present at, and concerned in the things he has left upon record for us; the occasion of his writing it is supposed to have been partly to prevent those false and scandalous Relations, which even then began to be obtruded upon the World, and partly to supply what seemed wanting in the two Evangelists that wrote before him: It's not much doubted, but his History of the Acts of the Apostles was writ at *Rome*, at the end of *St. Paul's* two Years Imprisonment there, as alrea-

dy hinted, and with which he concludes his Story: It contains the Actions, and sometimes the sufferings of some principal Apostles, especially *St. Paul*: His way of writing in both these Books is exact and accurate, his Stile polite and elegant, and all along expressing himself in a Vein of purer *Greek*, than is to be found in the other writings of Holy Writ.

LUCIFERIANs, A Name given to those who persisted in the schism of *Lucifer* of *Cagliari*: *St. Austin* says, that he had read they held the Souls propagation from the Parents, but could not assure the truth of it, only that there went such a report of them: It's no where known how long this Schism lasted, only that it continued to the end of the Empire, of *Theodosius* the Great, after whose time Authors make little or no mention of them.

LUCINA, Derived from *Lucus*, or rather *Lux*, a Pagan she-Divinity, Honoured by the *Romans*, as one that presided over Women in Labour, and the bringing forth of Children; the Heathen Poets attributed to *Diana* the Function of *Lucina*; *Martial* confounds one with the other, and so does *Horace*.

*Rite maturos aperite partus
Lenis Ilithyia, tuere matres,
Sive tu Lucina probas vocari,
Seu Genitalis
Diva, Producas sobolem.*

LUCRIUS, The Heathen God of Gain, so called from *Lucrum*.

LUPERCALIA, Certain Festivals Celebrated by the Heathen *Romans* on the 15th of the Calends of *March*, in Honour of *Pan*, whose Priests were called *Luperci*, and who at the time of this solemnity were wont to run Naked thro' the

City, and to strike the Hands and Bellies of Women with a Goat-skin; there were also a great many young People of Quality, and some of the principal Magistrates, who ran publickly with them in the same Circumstances of Scandal.

LUSTRATIO, *Lustrum*, A Ceremony or Sacrifice performed by the Heathen Romans, after they had done numbring the People; which was performed every six Years; the Word being derived from *Luo* to Pay; because that at the beginning of every fifth Year they paid the Tribute laid upon them by the Censors: *Servius* was the first that purified the People in this manner; he put them into Battle-Array, and made a Bull and an He-Goat, whilst he sacrific'd, to go pass round them three times: and that was the first *Lustrum* of the Romans.

LYÆUS, An Epithet given to *Bacchus*. See *Bacchus*.

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MACEDONIANS, certain Christian Hereticks, who followed *Macedonius* his Errors. This Prelate thinking it intolerable to be deposed, would revenge himself with a new Heresie. He taught, that the Holy Ghost was neither like to the Father nor the Son, but a meer Creature, and one of God's Ministers, being yet more excellent than the Angels. The Malecontent Bishops subscribed to this Error, which was greedily swallow'd by the *Arrians*; and, if we believe *St. Jerome*, even the *Donatists* of *Africa* joined with them. The outward shew of Piety seduced many simple people to the *Macedonians*; for they professed to live very austerely. One *Maratonus*,

who had been formerly a Treasurer, and was very rich, turned Monk, and sucked in this Heresie, which he spread with the free distribution of his Substance very much.

MAHOMET, The false Prophet, born 570. His Father *Abdala*, a Heathen, and his Mother a Jewish Woman, of a mean Condition; though his Followers will have him to be of a Royal Family. He was first a Merchant's Servant, afterwards married his Master's Widow; and at last, by the help of two Monks and some Jews, framed the Scheme of his false Religion, took up Arms, and made considerable Conquests in *Arabia*, &c. at the same time propagating his Doctrine; which see under *Mahometanism*.

MAHOMETANISM: To give a Summary Extract of this Religion, take it as follows: The *Mahometans* own, that both the Jewish and Christian Religion are true, but they pretend that they are now abrogated, since God has communicated himself to his Prophet; and alledge, that neither the Jews nor the Christians have at this time any Principles of their Religion, because of the Corruption of their Books. *Mahomet*, as they affirm, for the space of three and twenty Years, by the Ministry of the Angel *Gabriel*, received a certain number of written Papers from God, out of which he composed the *Alcoran*. The chief Article of their Faith is, the Unity of God; the second, that *Mahomet* is God's Messenger; and they pretend he wrought Miracles, affirming he drew Water out of his Fingers, and that marking the Moon with his Fingers he cleft it: They add farther, that the Stones, Trees, and Beasts acknowledged him to be the true Prophet of God, and that they

they saluted him in these Words ; *You are the true Messenger, and Prophet of God* : They farther affirm, that *Mahomet* went in the Night from *Mecca* to *Jerusalem*, from whence he ascended into Heaven ; that there he had a view of Paradise and Hell ; that he conversed with God, and at last came down from Heaven that very Night, and was found at *Meccha* before the break of Day. The *Mahometans* also have their Saints, whom they pretend to have wrought Miracles, inferiour however to those of their Prophet. They own that there are Angels the Executioners of God's Commands, designed for certain Offices both in Heaven and Earth, who set down the Actions of Men. The Office of the Angel *Asroel*, is to receive the Souls of those that die ; and another named *Esrapi*, keeps constantly a large Horn or Trumpet in his Mouth to sound it in the Day of Judgment.

They believe a general Resurrection of the Dead, and that then an *Anti-Mahomet* will come, and that Jesus Christ will come down from Heaven to kill him, and to establish the *Mahometan* Religion ; to which they add several Stories concerning *Gog* and *Magog*, and the Beast that is to come out of *Meccha* : They say, that the Resurrection of the Dead will be in this manner : They must appear all naked from Head to Foot ; that the Prophets, Saints, Doctors, and the Just will be cloathed, and carried up to Heaven by Angels and Cherubims. As for the rest, they shall suffer Hunger, Thirst and Nakedness : The Sun will draw near within a Mile of their Heads ; they will sweat sadly, and suffer an infinite number of other Torments. There will be in the Day of Judgment a

pair of Scales, wherein Good and Evil shall be weighed : that those whose Good shall overbalance the Evil, will go to Paradise : On the other hand, those whose Sins shall overpoise their good Actions, shall descend into Hell, except the Prophets and Saints make Intercession for them. Besides Heaven and Hell they seem to own a kind of Purgatory, where they believe that those whose Sins overweighed their good Actions, though they died in the Faith, and were not helped by the Intercession of the Just, must suffer in proportion to their Sins ; when afterwards they shall be caught up into Paradise.

Besides that general Judgment, when God himself will call every one to an Account, they hold a particular Judgment, which they call the Torment of the Sepulcher, and is performed in this manner : As soon as one is buried, two of the first Angels, viz. *Manzir* and *Neckir*, come to ask the dead Man Questions concerning his Faith towards God and the Prophets, towards the Law and *Kiab*, i.e. what way one must turn himself to pray to God : The Just ones ought to answer : Our God, is the God that created all things ; our Faith is *Mustimich*, or Orthodox, and the Place towards which we bow our selves in our Prayers, is *Kiab* : The Infidels, on the contrary, not knowing what to answer, are condemned to grievous Torments. They commonly believe Predestination, and that both Good and Evil happen by the particular Command of God : And if any one ask why God hath created the Infidels and Wicked, their Answer is, that we ought not to be overcurious to search into the Secrets of God ; As for the Faithful who died before they repented of their Sins,

Sins, they believe they are in suspense after their Deaths, and that God disposes of them according to his own pleasure, forgiving some and condemning others; they firmly believe, God Pardons all Sin, except Atheism and Idolatry, for which reason in their Prayers for the Dead, they pray equally for the good and bad ones; they have a kind of Liturgy for that purpose, where are marked the Prayers which are to be read at a Funeral, and the Chapters out of the Alcoran, that ought to be read over the Grave, the Morals of the *Mahometans* consist in doing Good and shunning Evil; their *Casuits* hold, that Actions done without Faith in God, are Sins; and that whosoever Renounceth it, loseth the Merit of all his Good Works, and that during all that time, he can do nothing that is acceptable to God, till he hath repented, then he becomes a *Mussulman* or faithful again; but he must Marry a second time, if he was Married before, and if he hath been once at *Meccha*, he must return thither again: They forbid to judge of uncertain things; for example, no body must say such a one is dead, or shall dye in the Faith, because it doth not belong unto us to judge of the things God hath Concealed from us.

The Devotion of the *Mahometans* extends to the very sacred Names; when they pronounce the Name of God, they make a Bow, and they add most high, most blessed, most strong, most excellent, or some such thing; they have devout Men amongst them, that do more than the Law commands them, and who go to nine a Clock Prayers in the Morning, tho' there be no obligation to it; there are some Conditions which if not ob-

served in their Prayers, make them useless. For instance, in their Prayers at Noon, and the Afternoon, which are obligatory amongst them, they must read low; but in their Evening Prayers before they go to Bed, and in their Morning Prayers they must read with a loud Voice, if there be an *Imaum*, i. e. a Priest, but if they pray alone, then it is indifferent. Besides the Men in saying their Prayers, ought first of all to lift up their Hands to the tops of their Ears, and the Women to the Jaws only, when they stand and have their right Hand upon the left, if it be a Man, he ought to place his Hands under his Navel; but if it be a Woman, she ought to put them upon her Breast. Lastly, that they may pray regularly, they ought to follow the *Imaum* and imitate him in whatever he does: If they chance to speak or laugh in their Prayers, so that they may be heard, their Prayers are void; they are forbid to pray to God in the Garment they commonly use at their work up and down the House, and which they would not wear, were they to pay a Visit to a Person of Quality; they ought not to pray neither before the fire, but they may use a Candle or a Lamp. It's of a Divine obligation amongst them, to wash their Mouths, Faces and whole Bodies; If they break wind during the *Abdest* or Ablution, then the Ablution is void. They count amongst God's commands to wash their Face once, and their Arms to the Elbow, to wash the fourth part of the Head and their Feet once; the tradition of *Mahomet* commands them to wash their Hands three times, to cleanse their Teeth with a certain sort of Wood; and then to wash their Mouths three times, and the Nose as often with-

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out any other Intermission, when they have once begun ; then to wet their Ears with the same water they washed their Heads with ; they must always wash the right Hand first, and whenever they wash their Hands and Feet, they are obliged to begin at the Fingers. As for the different Sects of the *Mahometans*, you will find them under their respective Heads.

MALIK, The Head of one of the four ancient Sects of the *Mahometan* Religion, which the *Turks* own to be Orthodox ; this Sect is called the *Malikian* Sect, or *Malechee*, and prevails among the People of *Tripoli*, *Tunis*, *Algier*, and other Parts of *Africa*.

MALAMIGEE, a Modern Sect among the *Mahometans*, who maintain that God is perfectly to be known in this World, and that by the Doctrine of *Cognosce teipsum*, the Creature proceeds to the perfect knowledge of his Creator, opposite to which are the *Mezzachulia*, which see.

MANICHEANS, Christian Heretics, who took their Name from one *Manes*, that began to spread his Error in the third Century, which he embraced in this manner. One *Terebinthus*, Disciple to *Suthianus* a Magician, finding that in *Persia*, where he was forced to retire out of *Palestine*, the Priests and Learned Men of the Country did strongly oppose his Errors and Designs, retired into a Widdows House where he was Murdered : This Woman being Heiress to the Money and Books of *Terebinthus*, bought a Slave Named *Curseicus*, whom she afterwards adopted, and caused to be instructed in all the Science of *Persia* : This Man after the Womans Death, changed his Name to obliterate the Memory of

his first Condition, and assumed that of *Manes*. He pretended himself to be the Apostle of Christ, and that he was the Comforter our Saviour promised to send. He held that there were two Principles, the one Good, from whence proceeded the good Soul of Man, and the other Bad from whence proceeded the Evil Soul, and likewise the Body with all Corporeal Creatures. He wickedly allowed his Disciples to wallow in all Impurity, and forbid to give Alms to any that were not of his own Sect. He attributed the motions of Concupiscence to the Evil Soul ; he gave out, that the Souls of his followers went thro' the Elements to the Moon, and afterwards to the Sun to be purified, and then to God to whom they did rejoyne ; and those of other Men, he alledged, went to Hell to be sent into other Bodies. He alledged, that Christ had his Residence in the Sun ; the Holy Ghost in the Air ; Wisdom in the Moon, and the Father in the Abyss of light ; he denyed the Resurrection and Condemned Marriage ; he held *Pythagoras* his transmigration of Souls ; that Christ was no real body, that he was neither dead nor risen, and that he was the Serpent that tempted *Eve*. He forbid the use of Eggs, Cheese, Milk and Wine, as Creatures proceeding from the bad Principle ; he used a form of baptism different from that of the Church. He taught that Magistrates were not to be obeyed, and Condemned the most lawful fears : It were next to impossible to recount all the impious and damnable tenets of this Heresiarch, insomuch that Pope *Leo* said of him, that the Devil Reigned in all other Heresies, but he had built a fortress, and raised his Throne

Throne in that of the *Manicheans*, who embraced all the Errors and Impieties, that the Spirit of Man was capable of; for whatever prophanation was in Paganism, Carnal Blindness in Judaism, unlawful Curiosity in Magicks, or Sacrilegious in other Heresies, did all Center in that of the *Manicheans*; this Man promised the King of *Persia* that he would Cure his Son, whereupon the Father sent away all the Physitians that might have cured him, and the Patient dyed soon after. Whereupon *Manes* was Imprisoned, but made his Escape, but being soon apprehended again was flead alive, and his Carcass thrown to the wild Beasts.

The *Manicheans* were divided into Hearers and the Elect; of the Elect, twelve were called Masters, in Imitation of the twelve Apostles; and there was a thirteenth, who was a kind of a Pope amongst them. The Emperors in the fourth Century made Laws against those Hereticks, who renewed their Opinions in *Africa*, *Gaul* and at *Rome*, where a Council was held against them: The Ancients do not well agree as to the time of this Heretick's first appearance. But *Spanheim* says, it was in the time of *Probus*, a little before *Dioclesian*, and that his Heresie was a compound of the *Pythagorean*, *Gnostick* and *Marcionite* Opinions; that he held two Gods, who were contrary and Co-eternal, one the Author of Evil and the other of Good. *Clement* *Alexandrinus*, and other Authors charge them with ascribing a body to God, and alledging that he was substantially in every thing, tho' never so base as mire, dirt, &c. but was separated from them by the coming of Christ, and by the *Manicheans* eating the Fruits of the

Earth, whose Intestines had in them a cleansing and separating Vertue. They likewise maintained, that there had been a great Combat between the Prince of Darkness and Light, wherein they who held for God, were taken Prisoners, and that he laboured still for their Redemption. Moreover he held that the Sun and the Moon were Ships, that the Soul of Man and of a Tree, were of the same substance, and both of them a part of God; that Sin was a substance, and not a Quality or Affection, and therefore natural, and that acquired by the fall; he likewise held a fatality and denied free will.

MANES, Among the *Pagans* were departed Souls, and we are informed by *Servius* of the various Opinions the Ancients held concerning them: He says, they were Souls separated from Humane Bodies, that had not yet entred into other bodies, and delighted to do mischief unto Men, being so called by an *Antiphrasis*, for *Manum* in the old *Latin* signified Good; others will have it come from *Manare* to flow, because all the Air between the Earth and Circle of the Moon, they thought, was full of *Manes*, who came out of their Mansions to torment mankind: Some there were who distinguished the *Manes* from the Infernal Gods, while others said that the Cælestial dieties were the dieties of the Living, and the *Manes* the Gods of the Dead. And lastly, many believed the *Manes* were nocturnal dieties, who reigned between Heaven and Earth, and presided over the moisture of the Night.

Festus says, the *Manes* were invoked by the *Roman* Augures, because they believed them to be favourable unto Men; and that they were

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were also called Superior and Inferior Gods. Thus the *Manes* were made to be propitious Deities, and had this Name given them by way of Honour. Others, on the contrary, took *Manes* for Hell; that is, those Subterraneous places, whither the Souls of Men both good and bad were to go; from whence the Good were to be sent to the *Elysian* Fields, and the Wicked to *Tartara* or places of Punishment.

*Hæc Manes veniat mihi fama sub
imos.*

And elsewhere,

Manesque profundi.

Which cannot be interpreted in respect to the Souls themselves, but to the Places where they were. Lastly, *Manes* were taken for Infernal and Subterranean Gods; and indeed generally, for all Deities whatsoever that had the Charge of, and did preside over the Graves of the Dead: And in this sense it is that Epitaphs have been dedicated to them in these two Words, *Dis Manibus*.

MANIA, Amongst the ancient Heathens, was taken for the Mother of the *Lares* or Household Gods, to whom they offered Sacrifice at a Feast called *Compitalia*, instituted by *Brutus*, wherein the Slaves were mixed with their Masters, eat and drank with them, and diverted themselves in the Cross-ways. It was a cruel Custom at first to sacrifice little Children unto her for the preservation of the rest of the Family: But *Brutus* having expelled *Tarquin*, gave the Oracle of *Apollo* another Interpretation, and ordered, that instead of Mens Heads, they should be those of Pop-

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pies and Onions. They also placed as many Effigies of Men and Women stuffed with Flax or Chaff, before the Doors and in the Cross-ways, as there were free persons in every House, and as many Balls of Wooll as there were Slaves there, that so neither *Mania*, nor the Household-Gods her supposed Children, might do any mischief to the Living.

MATURNA, A Heathen Goddess worshipped by the *Romans* to oblige the Bride to stay at home.

MAOULAONANS, Properly signifies Associates; it being the Name of a particular Sect among the *Mahometan* Dervishes, who usually read a Book entituled, *al Mathuaoti*, whose Title and Use may be seen in the Dance of the Flute, by the sound whereof the Book begins, which the *Dervishes* have made famous amongst the *Mussulmans*.

MARAEOUT; The Name of the Idolatrous Priests of *Guinea*, and the Country of the *Negro's* in *Africa*: The Great *Marabout* is the second Person in the Kingdom of *Ardes* in *Guinea*, who determines both Spiritual and Political Affairs.

S. MARK, Evangelist, *St. Peter's* Disciple, preached the Gospel in *Lybia*, *Thebais*, *Pentopolis*, *Marmarica*, and almost through all *Egypt*. He founded, they say, the Church of *Alexandria*, and is alledged to have been the first Bishop thereof: He is often mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles and *St. Paul's* Epistles: The most common Opinion of the Fathers is, that he writ his Gospel at *Rome*. *Tertullian* says, that it was in his time called the Gospel of *St. Peter*. *St. Mark* writ his Gospel in the Year of our Lord 43. and suffered Martyrdom April 25. 62. *St. Mark*, tho' there be something of *Roman* in his Name, is, by *St. Jerom*, said to be of Jewish Parents

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rents. *Papias*, according to *Eusebius*, thinks he was converted by *St. Peter*: But 'tis certain he was one of his constant Attendants, and thought to have been his *Amnensis*: *Nazianzen* supposes he wrote his Gospel at *Rome*, at the request of the Christians in those Parts: *Eusebius* says, *St. Peter* sent him to plant Christianity in *Egypt*, that he took up his principal Residence at *Alexandria*, and had great Success. But the *Θεραπευται* whom *Epiphanius*, *Jerom*, *Petronius* and others, will have to be Christians, engaged in a more than ordinary strict way of living by *St. Mark*, and consequently the Patterns of a Monastick Life, which they deduce from the account given them by *Philo the Jew*, are by a learned Author, and with much reason, thought to be a Jewish Sect, and probably *Esseans*, who chose a contemplative and abstemious Life; but at the same time, *Dr. Cave* thinks, that those Preparatories did facilitate their Conversion to the Christian Faith, and contribute to the Success of the Evangelist. Others say, that this Evangelist preach'd in *Lybia* very successfully, and returning for *Alexandria* provided for Successors in the Ministry: But at *Easter*, when the Feasts of the false *Egyptian* God *Serapis* were celebrated, the People being transported with Zeal for the Honour of their Idol, broke in upon *St. Mark*, as at worship, dragged him through the Streets by his feet to a Precipice, and clapp'd him in Prison that Night, where he had an Heavenly Vision, which supported him: Next Morning they furiously renewed their barbarous Treatment, till his Flesh being torn off his Bones, his Spirits failed, and he expired under their Hands; and

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then they burnt him. Authors cannot agree about the time of his Martyrdom; but *Irenæus* being positive that he out-lived *Peter* and *Paul*, 'tis suppos'd his Death might happen towards the latter end of *Nero's* Reign. The Reason of his Gospel being called *St. Peter's*, is, because he faithfully writ what *Peter* informed him of, and imitated his Stile; or, according to some, because writ and ordered to be read in the Churches by *St. Peter*; but the time of its being written is not agreed on among Authors. *Jerom* says, that the last Chapter of his Gospel, or at least part of it, was wanting in all the *Greek* Copies, and rejected by some as disagreeing with the other Gospels, but shews their Consistency. It is also questioned, whether it was originally writ in *Greek* or *Latin*; and that which gives countenance to the latter, is a Note at the end of the *Syriack* Version; tho' that is suspected as an Addition. The *Venetians* pretend to have the Original *Greek* Copy writ by his own Hand; but the Letters are so worn out, that they are not now legible. There is a Liturgy in the *Bibliotheca Patrum* that goes under the Name of *St. Mark*: And the reason why he is made to be the Author of it, is probably because it was received in the Church of *Alexandria* founded by him; tho' this looks more like a surmise than any thing real. The Life of *St. Barnabas*, translated into *Latin* by *Bede*, is also attributed to him: However, it seems more likely that this Life was writ by *John Mark*, mention'd in the Acts of the Apostles.

MARCELLIANS, A Name given in the Fourth Century to certain Christians, who followed the Opinions of *Marcellus* of *Ancyra*, who

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was condemned in the Council of *Constantinople* in 381.

MARCION, An Heresiarch, who lived in the second Century of Christianity, He was born at *Synope*, in *Paphlagonia* or *Pontus* and for that Reason is sometimes called *Ponticus*. He studied the Stoick Philosophy in his younger Years, and was a lover of Solitude and Poverty; but being convicted of Uncleanness with a Virgin, he was by her Father, who was Bishop, expelled the Church: After which he went to *Rome*, where being not admitted into Church Communion, because his Father opposed it, he in spite embraced *Cerdon's* Heresie, and became the Author of new Heresies in 134. He held with *Cerdon*, two Gods, the one good, the other bad; the latter, he said, was the Author of the World and of the Law; but the Good, he said, was the Author of the Gospel and Redeemer of the World. He stiled himself *Jesus Christ*, sent on purpose to abolish the Law, as being bad. *Origen* affirms, that he supposed there was a God of the *Jews*, a God of the *Christians*, and a God of the *Gentiles*: *Tertullian* speaks of nine, and more curiously than any body else, observes the rest of his Opinions, as that he denied the Resurrection of the Body, condemned Marriage, excluding married people from Salvation, whom he would not baptise, though he allowed of three sorts, and that the Living were sometimes baptized for the Dead. By his Sect, the Women commonly administered the Sacraments. *Rhodon*, a Greek Author, quoted by *Eusebius*, says, the Disciples of this Heresiarch added many other Errors to his Tenets, and were called *Marcionists*; That the Heresiarch

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meeting *Polycarpus* in the Streets of *Rome*, asked him, Whether he knew him: Very well, answered the good Bishop, I know you very well to be the Devil's eldest Son. *Constantine the Great* published an Edict against the *Marcionites* and the other Hereticks in 366; and *Theoderet*, Bishop of *Cyrus*, converted ten thousand of them in 420.

MARCIONITES. See *Marcion*.

MARONITES, A Christian People in the *East*, that dwell towards Mount *Libanus*. It's generally taken, that their Name is derived from *Maron*, who was formerly the Head of them: They are also said to have sometime follow'd the Errors of the *Jacobins*, *Nestorians*, and *Monothelites*; but they afterwards separated from them. *William of Tyre* assigns their Re-union to the *Roman Church* to the time of *Balwin IV.* King of *Jerusalem*, and *Aimerick* the *Latin Patriarch* of *Antioch*. *James of Vitri* says, the Patriarch of the *Maronites* was present at the *Four Lateran Councils* under *Innocent III.* in 1215. They have their Patriarch, Archbishops, Bishops, and about 150 Curates; but they were so oppress'd by the *Turks*, that their Clergy were necessitated to work for their Living. They are very hospitable, and entertain Pilgrims very well according to their Abilities; they observe Lent according to the ancient Rigour, eating but one Meal a Day, and that not before they hear Mass, which is said at Four in the Afternoon: They pay great Respects to their Priests, who are distinguish'd by a blew Scarf which they wear about their Caps: Married Men may become Priests; but none can take a Wife after he has entered into Orders. Pope Gregory

XIII. founded a Colledge at *Rome*, where the *Maronite* Youth are Educated by *Jesuits*, and then sent into their own Country; their Clergy wear no Surplices nor corner'd Caps, they keep particular Fasts and Feasts, and in many other things disagree with the Church of *Rome*; there is a Convent of *Maronite Monks* upon Mount *Lebanon*, who live a very austere Life, and they have sent some others to *Aleppo*.

The Patriarch of the *Maronites* is a Monk of *St. Anthony*, claims the Title of Patriarch of *Antioch*, and is always Named *Peter*; he has about nine Bishops under his Jurisdiction, and resides at *Edem Canobina*, a Monastery built upon a Rock.

The *Maronites* read their Service in the Vulgar Tongue, as well as in Latin, and while they perform it, turn their Heads sometime on one side, and sometimes on the other, and softly pronounce the word *Num*, or *Eynam*, as they read, which is as much as to say, yes, or yea verily, to signify that they approve of what they read; as the Word of God. They have so great a respect for their Bishops, that they either rise when they drink, or prostrate themselves and pray for them; they Consecrate the water for every Child that they Baptize; they have also a Grandee of their Nation, whom they Name *Abounoufet*, who usually resides at *Resraon*, and in a manner is their Governor, tho' there be others appointed for that end by the Grand Superior: He is Lieutenant unto, and very intimate with the Prince of the *Druzes*, who inhabit about Mount *Libanus*.

But not to digress; there are others who say, the *Maronites* denyed the Procession of the Holy

Ghost, observed the *Saturday*, as well as the Sabbath; condemn'd the fourth Marriage as unlawful; denyed that the Souls of the Godly entred Heaven till the Resurrection; held that all Souls were created together; that Hereticks were to be re-baptized; that the Child was not to be baptized till the Mother was purified, which they did not allow till forty Days after a Male, and eighty after a Female; that Children should receive the Eucharist, as soon as Baptized; that the Father might dissolve the Marriage of his Child, if he disliked it; that Women in their *Menses*, were not to be admitted to the Sacraments, nor into the Church; they do Communicate in both kinds, deny the necessity of reserving the Eucharist, or carrying it to sick Persons, reject Confirmation, &c. they have united more than once (tho' in a manner but pretendedly) to the Church of *Rome*.

MARS, Feigned by the fabulous Poets to be the Son of *Juno* without Copulation with any Man, but by the smell of a single flower, which the Goddess *Flora* had shewed her, was by the Heathens made to be the God of War and of Armies, he being represented Armed with Rage and Fury, and with flaming Eyes, as well on Horseback as in a Chariot, drawn by two Horses named Terror and Fear.

*Terrorq; Pavorq;
Martis Equi.*

I shall take no notice of his familiarity with *Venus*, which is mythological, but here observe, that tis probable the Mars of the *Assyrians* was the most ancient of any, since *Diodorus Siculus* testifies, they gave the Name of Mars unto him, who

who invented the use of Arms, and first began War. Now he who gave a beginning to Arms and War (according to Holy Writ) was *Nimrod*, the same as *Belus* of the Heathens, or his Son *Ninus*; and as the Empire of the *Assyrians* was the first of all the rest, and that Empire set up no otherwise than by the force of Arms, it's not to be doubted, but the first Kings of *Babylon* or *Assyria* were deified by the Name of *Mars*, in those Ancient times, wherein Kings were so Honoured after their Deaths: *Cedrenus* likewise informs us, that *Mars* and *Belus*, were the same Deity of the *Assyrians*.

This is a Summary Account of the Chimerical Divinity of *Mars* in *Assyria*; the *Egyptians* placed him in the second Degree, among the Demi-Gods that reigned with them: And indeed, as almost all the Nations of the Earth had a *Mars* of their own, the *Greeks* and *Romans* could not well be without one; but it would be too tedious to enter upon a Debate of every particular Relation they give concerning him; only I'll observe, that *Augustus Cæsar* built him a Temple at *Rome* of a round Form, which he consecrated under the Name of the *Avenger*.

Templa feres O me victore vocaberis Ultor,
Voverat & fuso latus ab hoste redit.

The ancient Idolaters sacrificed a Horse, a Wolf, and a Dog to this false Deity.

MARTYROLOGY, A Discourse concerning Martyrs to the Christian Religion. There was one attributed to St. *Jerom*, another to *Bede*, which others have since improved.

There is a great Contest amongst some learned Papists about that they call the *Roman Martyrology*, which we shall not enter into at present, no more than upon an Enquiry into the Truth of every Particular in *Fox* his Book of Martyrs, which many have spitefully censured upon very frivolous Pretences.

MASS, in *Latin*, *Missa*, is sometimes taken in *Latin* Authors, generally for all kinds of Divine Service, or for a Lesson of the Service; but in the ordinary use, more especially of the Church of *Rome*, it signifies the *Sacrifice*, which they call *Mafs*. Some Divines have thought it an *Hebrew* Word, used in the Apostles time, but not likely: Therefore the most learned Affirm, that *Missa* is equivalent to *Dimissio*: And this Opinion is confirmed by *Isidorus*, who says, that the Catechumens were sent out just before the Sacrifice. I will not meddle with the different sort of Masses that have been used, nor enter upon the Particulars of those now practis'd in the Apostate Church of *Rome*, it being too tedious, and may by some be thought impertinent.

MASSALIANS, Certain Christian Hereticks under the Empire of *Constantius* towards 361, who were also called *Euchites*: They said, that Prayer alone was sufficient instead of all other good Works. The Authors of that Sect were some Monks of *Mesopotamia*, who, that they might be constant in Prayer, left off Manual Work, which before that time was a considerable part of Monastic Discipline. They pretended that Prayer alone gave them strength to resist all Temptations; that it put the Devil to flight, and rooted out Sins, which were but pared off by Baptism, as with a Razer, which

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pare the Hairs, but does not root them up. Every Man, according to their Doctrine, had two Souls, one of which was more than Celestial, and the other a Devil which was forced out by Prayer. They pretended they were Prophets, and that they could see the Trinity with their Corporeal Eyes; and that they became so far like unto God, that in such Condition they did not so much as sin in their Thoughts. They professed many other Errors, and were so far infatuated, that the Holy Ghost descended visibly upon them, especially at the time of their Ordination; at which they danced, as they pretended, upon the Devil; for which Reason they were rightly called *Enthusiasts*, i. e. Possessed: They forbade the giving of Aids to any but those of their own Sect, dissolved Marriages, and persuaded Children to leave their Parents, to follow them: They wore their Hair long like Women, and magnificent Robes: They spread no farther than *Mesopotamia* and *Syria*, because of the general opposition their Folly and Impiety encounter'd with. The Emperor *Theodosius* the Great, publish'd an Edict against the *Massilians*, and others persecuted them, who still continued to disperse their Errors, though they were received into the Church; but it was order'd in a Council of Bishops in 427, that by reason of their frequent Relapses, they should be no more admitted, whatever Promises of Repentance they should make.

MATRALES, A Heathen Festival of the false Goddess *Matra*, celebrated by the *Romans* on the 11th of *June*; at which none but the *Roman* Ladies entred into the Temple to sacrifice: They took a Slave along with them, whom

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whom they beat with their Fists, because that false Goddess, who indeed was *Ino*, the Wife of *Athamas* King of *Thebes*, had been jealous of a Slave whom her Husband loved. Moreover, the *Roman* Ladies observed a very singular Ceremony in this Feast; for they took along with them the Children of their Sisters, whom they pray'd for, but not their own.

MATRONALIA, A Heathen Festival celebrated by the *Roman* Ladies in Honour of their false Deity *Mars*; for the Institution of which *Ovid* gives many Reasons, viz. As that the Ground bearing Fruit in that Month, the Women offered Sacrifice that they might bear Children; that on the first of *March* a Temple was built to *Juno Lucina*, who presided over Marriages, and that *Mars* was the Son of *Juno*. This Feast was remarkable upon the account, that Men sent Presents to the Women, as they did again to the Men at the *Saturnalia*: And forasmuch as the Men treated their Slaves at the *Saturnalian* Feasts, and made them their Companions, so the Women did the same now in respect of their Slaves, and served them at Table; for which Reason the said Day was called *Saturnalia Feminarum*: Batchellors did not attend at these Solemnities, which gave *Horace* occasion to tell *Mecenas*, that he would be surprized to find that he who was not married, celebrated the Calends of *March*.

Martis Cselebs quid agam Calendis,
Quid velint flores & acerra turis.
Plena, miraris positusq; Carbo in
Cespite vivo.

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S. MATTHEW, Of a Publican was made an Apostle of Christ, he writ his Gospel according to *Jerom* at *Jerusalem*, and several of the Fathers suppose he wrote it in *Hebrew* for the use of the *Jews*, who translated it into *Greek* is not well known, tho' some pretend it was the Apostle *St. James*, or *St. John*: *St. Matthew* Preached the Gospel in *Æthiopia*, and some report of him, that because he had perswaded *Iphigenia*, the Kings Daughter to live in Chastity, the Prince who would have Married her, caused him to be killed at the Altar: *Clemens Alexandrinus* says, he eat no Flesh, and that he fed only upon Herbs; *Cave* adds, that he was a great Instance of the Power of Religion, how much a Man may be brought off to a better temper, for the World had very great Advantages over him: He was become a Master of a plentiful Estate, imployed in a Rich and Profitable Trade, supported by the Power and Favour of the *Romans*, prompted by Covetous Inclinations, and those confirmed by long habits: And yet for all this, no sooner did Christ call, but he flung up all at once without the least scruple, and as *Basil* observes, not only renounced his gainful Incomes but ran an immediate hazzard of the displeasure of his Masters, that imploy'd him, for quitting their service, and leaving his Accounts confused behind him, and his change was indeed the more admirable, in that our blessed Saviour appear'd under all the Circumstances of meanness and disgrace, seeing he promised his followers nothing but Misery and Sufferings in this Life, and proposed no other rewards, but the invisible Encouragements of another World: For-

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phyry and *Julian*, two Subtil and Acute Adversaries of the Christian Religion, took occasion from hence to charge *St. Matthew*, either with Falsehood or with Folly, in that he gave not either a true account of the thing, or that it was a very weak thing of him so hastily to follow any one that called him: His contempt of the World farther appear'd in his Exemplary temperance, abstemiousness and incomparable humility, for whereas the other Evangelists describing the Apostles by pairs, constantly place him before *Thomas*, he modestly puts him before himself, the rest of the Evangelists openly mention the Honour of his Apostleship, but speak of his former disgraceful course of Life under the Name of *Levi*, whilst he himself sets it down with all its Circumstances under his own proper and common Name. *Montanus* found *St. Matthew's* Gospel in *Hebrew* in the *Indies*, whither it was carryed by *St. Bartholomew*, and brought it to *Alexandria*; the *Nazarenes* preserved his Gospel a long time, and it was from them that *St. Jerom* had a Copy to translate it into *Greek* and *Latin*; but in process of time, they interpolated several Passages of it, as the *Ebionites*, the *Cerinthians* and *Corpocratians* had done before them, taking occasion from the human Genealogy, described in it to deny the Divinity of Christ.

S. MATTHIAS, An Apostle chosen instead of *Judas*, in the 33d Year of our Saviour Christ Jesus, he Preached the Gospel in *Judea*, and part of *Æthiopia*, and suffered Martyrdom for Confessing the Name of Christ. *Dr. Cave* adds, that a vacancy being made (as may be said) in the Colledge of the Apo-

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Itles; by the defection of *Judas*, the first thing they did, after their return from Mount *Olivet*, where our Saviour took his leave of them, to *John's* House in Mount *Sion*, was to fill up their number with a fit Person; to which End *Peter* acquainted them, that *Judas*, according to the propheticall Prediction, being fallen from his Ministry, it was necessary that another should be substituted in his Room, one that had been a constant Companion and Disciple of the blessed *Jesus*, and consequently qualified to bear witness to his Life, Death and Resurrection; two were propounded in order to the Choise, *Joseph* called *Barsabas* and *Justus*, whom some made to be the same with *Joses*, one of the Brothers of our Lord, and *Matthias*, both duly Qualified for the Place; the way of Election was by Lots, a way frequently used both amongst *Jews* and *Gentiles*, for the determination of doubtful and difficult Cases, and especially the choosing of Judges and Magistrates; the Apostles took this course to comply with the old Custom among the *Jews*, and the rather because the Holy Ghost was not yet given, by whose immediate dictates and determinations, they were chiefly guided; after which having made their Address to Heaven to guide and direct their Choise, *Matthias* his Name was drawn out of the Urn, and thereby the Apostolate devolved upon him.

Among many other Apocryphal Writings attributed to the Apostles, there was a Gospel Published under *Matthias's* Name, but rejected by the Ancients, as Spurious, as also by *Gelasius* Bishop of *Rome*: Under his Name there were also extant traditions cited by *Clemens* of *Alexandria*, from whence 'tis not to be

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doubted that the *Nicholaitans* borrowed that saying of his, which they abused to so vile and beastly purposes, as under the pretended Patronage of his Name and Doctrine, to defend some of their absurd and impious Opinions.

MECCHA, A City of *Arabia Felix*, rendred very Famous for the superstitious Zeal of the *Mahometans*, who go thither from all parts in vast Numbers by way of Pilgrimage, upon the account of its being the Birth Place of their false Prophet *Mahomet*; the Famousst *Mahometan* Mosque, and the most frequented of any in the Universe, is scituated in the midst of this City; the *Mahometans* account this Holy Ground, not only by reason of its being the Birth Place of *Mahomet*, but because they alledge *Abraham* built his first House here, the Mosque is very Richly adorned; and more especially at a Place which hath no Roof, and is alledged to inclose the space on which *Abraham's* House stood; on the one side of it is a Fountain, whose water is salt, and believed by the *Mahometans* to have the vertue of washing away their Sins, and they solemnize a Festival once a Year, when they throw this water upon the *Mahometans*, at the time the *Caravans* come thither.

MEDINA, A Town in *Arabia Felix*, very considerable among the *Mahometans*, because the Body of their Prophet *Mahomet* was deposited here, and is therefore called the City of the Prophet; the Vulgar opinion, that his Coffin was Iron, and that it hung suspended in the Air, between two Load-stones, is false; for the *Mahometan* Pilgrims that become Christians say, 'tis supported by four Marble Pillars, and environed with balisters of Silver,

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ver, on which hangs a great number of Lamps, whose Smoak renders the place somewhat obscure: The *Turks* are obliged by the Principles of their Religion, to visit this place once in their Life-time; but few go thither, besides the common People, for the *Mufti* absolves the richer sort from this Obligation, upon condition that they hire others to go for them, and bestow somewhat upon the Poor. The Christians are forbid upon pain of Death to come within fifteen Leagues of this place.

MEDITRINALIA, Festivals instituted in Honour of the false Goddess *Meditrina*, because the *Romans* began then to drink new Wines, which they mixed with old, and that served them instead of Physick. It was celebrated on the 13th of September.

MELCHITES, *Melchitæ*: By this Name in the *Levant*, do they call the Christian *Syrians*, *Cophti*, or *Egyptians*, and the other Nations of the *Eastern Churches*, who tho' they be no *Greeks*, yet follow the common Doctrine of the *Greek Church*, and adhere to the decision of the Great Council of *Chalcedon*. This Name was given them by the opposite Party, from the *Hebrew* Word *Melech*, which signifies a *King*, in derision of their being of the Religion of the Emperor, who presided over the said Council: They call themselves Orthodox, and have translated into *Arabick* the Bible, the Councils, and *Euthologion*, with most of the Divinity Books of the *Greeks*. *Gabriel Konita* assures us, that they do not differ in belief from the *Greek Church*; that they deny Purgatory, and are strong Opposers of the Pope's Supremacy.

MENE; A Heathen Goddess, ac-

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cording to *St. Augustin*, worshipped by the *Roman Women* and Maidens, as curing them of their Monthly Issue, the Name being derived from *μήν* a Month, or *μήνη* the Moon; and some have taken her for the very Moon.

MENNONITES, A certain Sect of *Anabaptists* in *Holland*, so denominated from one *Mennon Simonis* of *Frisia*, who lived in the 16th Century: The *Protestants*, as well as the *Romanists*, confuted them. *Mr. Stoupp* explains their Doctrine thus: *Mennon* is not the first of the *Anabaptists*; but having rejected the Enthusiasms and Revelations of the first *Anabaptists* and their Opinions, concerning the New Kingdom of Jesus Christ, he set up other Tenets, which his Followers hold to this time: They believe that the New Testament is the only Rule of our Faith; that the Terms of Person and Trinity are not to be used in speaking of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that the first Men were not created Just; that there is no Original Sin; that Jesus Christ had not his Flesh from the Substance of his Mother *Mary*, but from the Essence of his Father; that it is not lawful for Christians to swear, or exercise any Office of Magistracy, nor use the Sword to punish Evil Doers, nor to wage War upon any Terms; that a Christian may attain to the height of Perfection in this Life; that the Ministers of the Gospel ought not to receive any Sallary; that Children are not to be baptized; that the Souls of Men after Death rest in an unknown place.

In the mean time, these *Menno-nites* broke into several Divisions, for very inconsiderable Reasons; many among them embraced the

Opinions of the *Socinians*, or rather of *Arrians*, touching the Deity of Christ; and they are all for Moderation in Religion, not thinking that they might lawfully debar from their Assemblies any Man leading a pious Life, and that owned the Scriptures for the Word of God. These were called *Galenites*, and borrowed their Name from a *Physitian* of *Amsterdam*, called *Galen*; some of them in *Holland* are called *Collegiates*, because they meet privately, and every one in their Assembly hath the Liberty to speak, to expound the Scriptures, to pray and to sing; they that are truly *Collegiates* are *Unitarians*; they never receive the Communion in their Colledge, but they meet twice a Year, from all Parts of *Holland*, at *Rhinburg*, a Village about two Leagues from *Leyden*; there they receive the Sacraments: The first that sits at Table, may distribute it to the rest; and all Sects are admitted, even the *Roman Catholics*, if they would come.

MERCAVA; A Word famous among the *Jews*, to signify deep Speculations on the Nature of God and Spiritual Beings: It properly implies a Chariot, and has been taken out of *Ezekiel's* Vision, where Chariots are often mentioned: *Rabby Judah*, surnamed the *Holy*, Author of the *Mishna*, comprehends under the name of the Word *Mercava*, the three Visions, viz. that of the *Wheels*, of the *Beast*, and of the *Man*, according as they are written in *Ezekiel*: *R. Moses* also by the *Mercava* understands the High Mysteries of the Creation, understood only by wise Men, and not to be expounded by common People.

MERCURY, An Heathen Deity, made to be the Son of *Jupiter* and

Maia; they commonly distinguish three other *Mercury's*, but they are not different from *Maia's* Son: He was made, by the *Pagans*, to be the Messenger of the Gods, having Wings at his Heels, and a *Caduceus* in his Hand; he was also the God of Thieves, and the Arbiter of Peace; and this made the *Roman* Ambassadors carry a *Caduceus* with them to proclaim Peace: He was moreover taken for the God of Traders, and that he presided over Trade; and this makes *Plautus* in the Prologue of *Amphitrion* bring him in speaking.

Ut vos in vestris voltis Mercimoniis

Emundis, vendundisq; me latum lucris

Afficere.

The *Pagans* believed this false Deity conducted the Souls of the deceased into Hell, and that he had Power to take them out again. He was over and above all this, reputed the God of Eloquence.

MESGIDGI BARCHI; the two Priests of the Royal Mosque, belonging to the *Sultana*, Mother to the *Grand Signior*, ordained for the Womens Prayer.

METAMORPHISTS, or transformers, a Name given in the sixteenth Century, to those Sacramentarians, who affirmed that the Body of *Jesus Christ* ascended into Heaven, as wholly deified.

METANGISMONITES, Hereticks in Christianity, so denominated from the *Greek* word *ἀγγέλον*, a Vessel, who say, that the word is in his Father, as one Vessel is in another; the Author of this opinion is unknown.

METROPOLITAN, A word come from the *Metropolitan* Towns, the Capital or Mother Cities, out of which Colonies were sent; this Name was also given afterwards to Cities, which commanded a Province; but the Christian Church knew no such Name, before the Council of *Nice*, the Name of Bishop being only then used; the Name of Arch-Bishop and *Metropolitan* are promiscuously used; however it appears by the Ancient *Notitia's* of Churches, that the *Metropolitan* was above the Arch-Bishop, and below the Patriarch; the Arch-Bishops now and the *Metropolitans*, are become reciprocal terms: It's plain, in the *Notitia's* of the *Greek* Churches, that some Bishops were erected into *Metropolitans* by the Emperors; but it was only a titular Honour, these titular *Metropolitans*, being always under the real *Metropolitan*.

MILLENARIANS, Some Ancient Authors speak of certain *Millenarians* Named so, because speaking of Hell, they believed there was a Cessation of pain once in a thousand Years: See *Chiliasies*.

MINERVA, The Heathen Goddess of Wisdom and Arts, and of what concerns Wool, the same with *Pallas* the Goddess of War; *Vulcan* striking *Jupiter's* Head with an Hammer, the same came out of his Brain ready Armed; some Authors reckon five of her Name, into the particulars of which we shall not enter; there were Divers Temples erected to her, and Divine Honours paid her: See *Minervalia*.

MINERVALIA, or *Quinquatria*, Feasts instituted by the Pagans in Honour of their false Goddess *Minerva*, and Celebrated the nineteenth of *March*, the same lasting for five Days; the first of which

was spent in Prayers made to this Goddess, the rest in offering Sacrifices, seeing the Gladiators fight, Acting Tragedies upon Mount *Alban*; and reciting pieces of Wit, wherein the Victor had a Prize given him, according to the appointment of the Emperor *Domitian*, the Schollars had also a vacation and carryed their Schooling Money, or rather Presents to their Masters, which was called *Minerval*.

MINIMS, An order of Christian Monks founded by *Francis de Paule*; they were Named *Bonnes Hommes* at *Paris*, because *Lewis XI.* and *Charles VIII.* called *Francis de Paule* and his Fellows so. They assumed the Name of *Minims* out of humility: This *Francis* for Rules prescribed to them, to observe the Ten Commandments, and those of the Church; and besides the Vows of Poverty and Chastity, they make another of a continual Lent, he Prohibited to receive into his order any Persons under eighteen Years of Age, and none admitted to profess but after one Year of Noviciate, he would not suffer them to ride upon any thing but an Ass; he set down what they call the Divine Office, which ought to be Conform to the *Roman Breviary*; they must recite it aloud at Church, not Singing as with Notes, but as if they were counting Numbers; the Convert Brothers are to recite for their Office seventy seven times the Lords Prayer, and as many *Ave Maria's*, and the oblat Brother fifty two, which oblats are Servants; the Religious ought to confess their Sins, and receive the Communion at least once a Week, and every Holyday in the Year, they must be very regardful of their Superiors, not enter into Nunneries, and ad-

mit no Women into their Convents, unless Founders, or of the Royal Blood; they must not touch or carry any Money about them, nor go to Law for any temporal concern. They are neither to eat Flesh, Eggs, Butter, Cheese, nor any thing else coming from Milk, except in case of Sickness: Besides the Fast of Lent, he prescribes another from All-Saints to *Christmas*, and every *Wednesday* and *Friday* of the Year, they ought to entertain strangers kindly, to give themselves to Prayer and Silence: Then after he prescribes the method of choosing the Superiors, he will have them called *Correctors*, and not to go abroad during the time of their *Correctorie* without very urgent necessity; he assigns the time for holding a general Chapter, forbids the making any Addition or Change in his Rule, promises eternal Life to those that will observe it, and lastly, that he will have his order to be put under the Protection of a Cardinal.

MINOS, A supposed Judge of Hell by the Ignorant Heathens, and a kind of Divinity amongst them.

MISERECORDIA, Mercy, a Goddess worshipped by the Heathens, had a Temple at *Athens*, and another at *Rome*, which was a sanctuary for Criminals and Unfortunate People.

MISSIONARIES, Church-men or Monks sent by the Pope of *Rome*, or Popish Bishops to Convert Infidels, or such People as they call *Schismatics*: The Jesuites, Carmelites and Capuchin Fryars, are now adays sent to Preach in *Turky*, *Persia*, *Georgia*, *Africa*, *East-Indies*, *Congo*, &c. there are always some of them that Practice Physick, the better to introduce themselves.

MOATAZALI, or *Moatazalites*, an Ancient Mahometan Sect, signifying as much as Separatists, the reason of which denomination hath proceeded from *Abbason*, the Scholar of *Tease Eba Atue*, the Author and Master of this Sect, who being asked whether those who had committed a great Sin, were to be adjudged condemned and fallen from the Faith, the Schollar without waiting for his Resolution withdrew, and began to interpret the sense thereof to his Fellow Disciples, from which they afterwards had the Name, tho' they called themselves the defenders of the Equity and Unity of God: Notwithstanding they are herein divided into no less than two and twenty Sects among themselves, which are maintained with great Passion on all sides, but the Principle wherein they agree in common is this; that God is Eternal, and that Eternity is an attribute most properly agreeable to his Essence; yet they reject the attribute it self, saying, God is Eternal, Wise, Powerful and the like, by his own entire and single Essence; tho' they say, he is not Eternal by his Eternity, &c. least they should admit any multiplicity in the Diety, or incur the Errors of the Christians, who, as they say, divide the Honour and Unity of God, by the Conceptions they frame of the three Persons in the Trinity; but if the Christians are blamed by them for three Eternals, how much more are they who frame as many Eternals, as there are Attributes: See *Sephah*.

There is a Modern Sect sprung up from the *Moatazali*, who deny any Man can be stiled a Saint in this World, except the Prophets, who were without Sin; and that the true Believers in the next World

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shall see God as clearly as we see the Full Moon, in opposition to the Doctrine of *Mahomet*, who says, God is invisible to us, either in this World, or that which is to come.

MOBAIEDIANS, *The Whites*, the Name of the Followers of the famous *Mahometan* Impostor, named *Berkai* and *Mokanna*: They made an Insurrection in the Province of *Chorasan*, against the *Caliph Mahadi*, who by his Generals at length defeated them. These Revolters took the Title of *Whites* upon them, from the colour of their Habit, which they affected to be White, in order to distinguish them from those, who obeyed the *Caliph*, whose Colour, as well as that of the *Abbasides*, was Black.

MOLOCH, an Idol of the *Ammonites*, to which they sacrificed Children and Beasts. It was a Statue drawn but half way, with a Calves Head, stretched out Arms, and seven Holes on the Stomach, wherein the Victims were put, which Holes were as so many Stoves in that hollow Statue. The first Hole near the Waste was for the Flour, the second for Pidgeons and Doves, the third for Lambs and Sheep, the fourth for Rams and Goats, the fifth for Calves, the sixth for Bulls, and the seventh for innocent Children offered to this false Deity: That half Body was set over a kind of Oven, where a Fire was kindled, and the lamentable Cries of the poor Children drowned with the noise of Drums and other Instruments. Nevertheless, some *Hebrews* say, that Children were not put into it to be burnt, but only went through two Piles of Wood lighted before it, that they might be purified by that Ceremony. The *Jews* that sacri-

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ficed to that Idol are called *Molochites*, *Lev. 20*.

MOMUS, The Son of *Somnus* and *Nox*, and by the *Heathens* accounted the God of Liberty, he being a Deity that spoke his Mind freely, and controuled every thing, even the supposed Actions of the Gods themselves.

MONARCHICALS, Certain Christian Hereticks about the Year 196, who acknowledged but one Person in the Holy Trinity, and said, that the Father was Crucified.

MONASTERIANS, Certain Hereticks, who in the sixteenth Century followed *John Buckold*, a Taylor of *Leyden* in *Holland*, Head of the *Anabaptists*, and King of *Munster*. See *Anabaptists*.

MONEY, A *Heathen* Deity. See *Pecunia*.

MONK: The Word signifies *Solitary*, from the *Greek* Word *μόνος* alone, and is chiefly understood of those who, according to their first Institution, are separate from the Company of Men. The Origin of a Monastick Life is commonly attributed to *Paul* the *Hermit*, and *St. Anthony*, whose Example replenished *Egypt* with *Monks*; some altogether Solitary, others living in Community. This kind of Life spread afterwards into *Syria*, *Pontus*, and the *lesser Asia*. Those of *Egypt* and *Syria* have always retained the Name of their Founder *St. Anthony*; but those of *Pontus* and the *lesser Asia*, took the Name of *S. Basil*, who brought in *Anthony's* Rule. *Athanasius* coming to *Rome*, and publishing *St. Anthony's* Life, many embraced this way of living in *Italy*; from whence it spread into other Provinces. *Monks* at first lived out of Towns, most of them being Laymen, their Profession keeping them from Ecclesiastical Duties,

Duties, and all their Employments consisted in Prayers and hard Labour. Nevertheless Bishops sometimes took Monks out of those solitary Places to make them Churchmen, but they ceas'd to be *Monks*, and were to be numbered among the Clerks. St. *Jerom* always distinguishes these two kinds of Life, as it appears from the Epistle to *Heliodorus*, where he tells us, *alia Monachorum est Causa, alia Clericorum*, and *Monks* were then under Bishops and ordinary Pastors; but because many learned *Monks* vigorously opposed such Heresies as arose in the Eastern Church, it was thought fit to take them out of their Solitudes, and to settle them in the Suburbs of Towns, that they might be useful to the People: And *Chrysostom's* Opinion was, that they were to be admitted even into Towns; which made the Majority of them, who addicted themselves to Learning, enter into Holy Orders. Being useful to Bishops they acquired a great Name, principally in the business of *Nestorius*; but many abusing their Authority, it was ordered in the Council of *Chalcedon*, That *Monks* should be wholly under Bishops; that they should build no Monasteries without their leave; and that they should be removed from Ecclesiastical Employments, except called thereto by the Bishops. *Monks* had then no other Temporalities but what they could get by their Labour, part of the Alms distributed by the Bishops, and some Charities of the People: However, some would reserve part of their Patrimony, which *Jerom* complained of. As to the Duties of Religion, they went to the Parish-Church with the People, or they had a Priest allowed to go to their Houses, and administer the Sacrament to

them. At last they obtained to have a Priest out of their own Order, which gave them an opportunity to have particular Churches, and make a kind of regular Clergy. Though the most part of the *Monks* was then in the *East*, there was a great number of them in the *West*, before St. *Bennet* had establish'd a particular Order there. St. *Ambrose*, *Jerom*, *Gregory*, and other Authors, mention the *Monks* that were in *Italy*, *France*, and many other Parts of *Europe*; and the first *Monks* of *Europe*, before St. *Bennet*, were different from those that succeeded him, because the first were used to no particular Order: To be a *Monk* then, was enough to gain Reputation in all Monasteries whatever, in their Travels. As for St. *Bennet's* Order, it's enough to observe, that his Design was not to alter the Monastical Life, but to make a Collection of what he supposed to be most perfect in the other Orders. Since that different Founders have established divers new Religious Orders in the Church, now apostatizing more and more from the Primitive Purity. As for the *Greek Monks*, though they differ among themselves, they acknowledge St. *Basil* to be their Father and Founder, and it would be a Crime among them to depart from his Rules: There are five Monasteries in *Greece*, where the *Monks* sing Day and Night, but their way of Living is different; some of them being called *Kainobiatkoi*, and others *Idiorythmoi*; the first live together in Community, having nothing particular in their Cloaths and Duties: Nevertheless there are two Orders of them, some called of the *Great Angelical Habit*, which are of a higher and more perfect Rank, and others named of the *little Habit*,

of an inferiour Rank, whose Life is not so perfect: Those who are *Idiorythmoi*, live as they please, according as the Name does import; and therefore they pay some Money for a Cell and other things in the Monastery. before they take the Habit: The Butler furnishes them with Bread and Wine, as in other Monasteries, and for the rest they provide it themselves; for being not tied to what is burdensome in the Convent, they mind their own Affairs; one of these being near his end, leaves all he has, as well in as out of the Monastery, to him that has relieved his Wants. This *Monk*, by his Industry, increaseth the Goods he hath inherited, and leaves what he has got himself to one that assisted him; and the rest of what he possessed, that is, what was left him by Will, remains in the Monastery: However, there are some among the last, poor, that not being able to buy Land, they are forced to give all their Work to the Convent, and take the basest Employments in hand. There is a third Order of these *Monks* named *Anchorets*, who not being able to work, and bear the other Charges of the Monastery, have a Cell in a remote place, with Land enough to maintain them; from whence they go to Divine Service only on Holy Days, and afterwards return into their Cells, where they spend their time in Prayer and private Affairs. Some of these get sometimes the Abbot's leave to go out of the Convent, to lead a more retired Life, fitter for Meditation: Then the Convent sends them once or twice some Victuals amongst them, if they have neither Land nor Vineyards. But those that have no mind to be under the Abbot, have some

Vineyards next to their Cell, and live upon the Grapes, or like like Fruits: Several get also their Livelihood by transcribing Books. Besides *Monks*, they have in like manner *Nuns* shut up in Convents, under the Rules of *St. Basil*: They are as strict in the Monastical Life as the *Monks*, and have an Abbess, but are always under an Abbot, who sends them one of the most ancient and vertuous *Monks* to be their Confessor: Their Heads are shaved, and they all wear the same Habit of black Woollen Stuff, with a Cloak of the same, Their Arms and Hands are covered as far as their Fingers-Ends: Every one has her particular Cell, where there are Lodgings above and below: The Richer keep a Maid-Servant, and sometimes young Girls board with them for pious Education. When their ordinary Religious Duties are performed, they make Needlework, and sell it to the *Turks*, who have a great respect for those *Nuns*. See *Religious*.

MONOTHELITES, Christian Hereticks, who denied two Wills and two different Operations of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and so received *Eutyches* his first Errors: *Theodorus* Bishop of *Phorane*, was the Author of that Sect in the Seventh Century, and was followed by *Sergius* of *Constantinople*, and *Cyrus* of *Placida*. These Hereticks were also named *Monophysites*, *Egyptians*, and *Schismaticks*.

MONTANUS, An Heresiarch, the Head of the *Montanists* in the Second Century, so deceived the World by his Hypocrisie, that he was reputed to have the Gift of Prophecie and Miracles: He audaciously proclaimed himself to be the Comforter promised by Christ, condemned second Marriages as Fornication

Fornication, permitted the Dissolution of Marriage, forbade to avoid Martyrdom, and appointed a severe Fast of three *Lents*: He hanged himself with *Maximilla*, one of his Women-followers: His Disciples said also, That God the Father designing to save the World by the Law and the Prophets, and not being able to perform it, assumed Flesh in the Virgin's Womb, preached in Jesus Christ, and suffered Death in his Shape, and afterwards fought by the Holy Ghost in *Montanus* and his Disciples. They placed the Bishops in the third Rank after their Patriarchs, and those they called *Cenons*: They were so strict, that for the least Faults they turned out their Followers, who were divided into *Catapbryges*, and Disciples of *Proclus* and *Æschines*.

MOQUA, A Riot of some *Mahometans*, return'd from *Meccha*, against those who receive not *Mahomet's* Law, he that makes this Riot, takes his Dagger in his Hand, whose blade is commonly half Poysoned, and running about the Streets, kills all those he meets that are not *Mahometans*, till he be killed himself; these Madmen think to serve God and *Mahomet* in killing their Enemies, making a strange kind of Religion of it: As soon as they are slain, all the Mahometan Rabble run to them, and bury them like Saints, every one contributing to procure a Noble Buryal to them.

MORABITES, The Name of those Mahometans who follow the Sect of *Mohaidin*, the last Son of *Husseini*, who was the second Son of *Hali*, *Mahomet's* Son in Law; the most Zealous of this Sect live in desert Places, like Monks, either alone, or in Company, and profess Moral Philosophy, observing many

things contrary to *Leshari's*, or *Omar's Alcoran* followed by the *Turks*: They live very licentious, because they say, that having purified their Souls by Fasting and Prayer, it's lawful for them to enjoy the Creatures. At Festivals, and the Weddings of Great Men, they Dance and Sing Love Songs; till being weary they fall down with many Sighs and Tears, and then some of their Disciples take them up and carry them into their Hermitages; their order began about 700. but their Founder gave not his Rules in Writing: This Name of *Morabites*, is in *Africa* given to those that make Profession of Learning and Holiness; they live almost like the *Pagan Philosophers*, or *Christian Hermits*, and are so much respected by the People, that sometimes they go to their solitary Places to Crown them.

MORGI, An Ancient Mahometan Sect, whose Professors are great Favourers and Patrons of that Religion, since they maintain that a *Mussulman*, tho' guilty of the grossest Sin, is not punished for them in this World, nor receives his Absolution, nor Condemnation after Death, till the Resurrection; and further, that as Impiety with the true belief shall never be punished, so piety and good works proceeding from an erroneous Faith, is of no Validity or Power, to conduce to the fruition of the Joys of Paradise.

MOSES, A Prophet and Law-giver of the *Jews*, Born in the Year of the World 2464, 808 after the Flood, and 428 after *Abraham*, how he was saved in his Infancy, and bred up by *Pharaoh's* Daughter, how he slew an Egyptian, fled to *Midian*, and Married *Jethro's* Daughter, I shall but just mention, but

but come to take notice, that he was made use of, and so fitly qualified by the Divine Power, to deliver the Children of *Israel* out of their Captivity in *Egypt*, that he received the Law of the Ten Commandments Written by God himself on two Tables of Stone in Mount *Sinai*, after which he appointed all things belonging to the Tabernacle and Consecration of Priests, according to the Pattern in the Mount; saw the Promised Land from Mount *Nebo*, and dyed without Sicknefs in the 120th Year of his

Age, and that of the World 2584, he wrote the Pentateuch, viz. *Genesis*, *Exodus*, *Leviticus*, *Numbers* and *Deuteronomy*; and here a Curious observation may be added, how *Moses* could easily and certainly know the History from the Creation of the World, by the help of eight Persons only, which might reveal things one to another by word of mouth, tho' there were near 25 Centuries between *Adam* and *Moses*: For which take the following Table.

Adam Dyed 930 of the World.

Methusalem. { Born 688. } was 246 Years Old when his Predecessor Dyed.
{ Dyed 1656. }

Sem. { Born 1559. } was 97.
{ Dyed 2158. }

Abraham. { Born 2039. } was 119.
{ Dyed 2213. }

Isaac. { Born 2139. } was 74.
{ Dyed 2318. }

Jacob. { Born 2199. } was 119.
{ Dyed 2345. }

Levi. { Born 2285. } was 60.
{ Dyed 2442. }

Amram. { Born 2386. } was 36.
{ Dyed 2522. }

> when his Predecessor Dyed.

Moses Born 2464, was 58 Years of Age, when his Father *Amram* Dyed, so he might know from him what he had learnt from *Levi*, and so back to *Adam*, *Gen.* 5. 25, 35, and 49. *Exod.* C. 6.

MOSQUES, A Name given to publick Places where the Mahometans meet to pray, from the *Arabick* word *Mesged*, that properly signifies a Place of Worship. I shall not speak of the form of these *Mosques*,

but only observe that it is not lawful to enter into them with your Shooes on, and therefore they cover the Pavement with Stuffs sowed like Fillers, a little distant one from another, each of which may hold

a row of Men, kneeling, sitting, or prostrate, according to the time of their Ceremonies, and it's not lawful for Women to enter, so they stay in the Porches without ; they have neither Altars nor Images, but when they pray, they turn towards *Mecca*, where *Mahomet* was Born ; but as I believe there is no manner of Religion in unanimate things, such as Wood, Stones, &c. I shall dwell no longer upon this Head.

MUFTI, The Principal Head of the Mahometan Religion, or Oracle of all doubtful Questions in their Law, and is a Person of great Esteem and Reverence among the *Turks* ; his Election is solely in the Grand Signior, who chooseth a Man into that Office that is always famous for his Learning and Knowledge in the Law, and Eminent for a vertuous and austere Life : His Authority is so great amongst them, that when he passeth his Judgment in any point, the Grand Signior or himself will by no means Contradict or oppose it ; the Title which he gives the *Mufti* when he writes to him, as an Indication of his belief, of his wisdom and sanctity is, to the *Esa*, 'Thou art the wisest of
'the wise, instructed in all Know-
'ledge, the most Excellent of Ex-
'cellent, abstaining from things un-
'lawful, the Spring of Vertue and
'true Science, Heir of the Prophe-
'rick and Apostolick Doctrines, Re-
'solver of the Problems of Faith,
'Revealer of the Orthodox Articles,
'Key of the Treasures of Truth,
'the light to doubtful Allegories,
'strengthened with the Grace of the
'Supream Assister, and Legislator of
'Mankind. May the most High God
'Perpetuate thy Vertues.

The Office of *Mufti* being mixed in respect to Civil and Religious matters, some notice must be taken

here of both ; since his Authority in all respect is regarded as he is a Holy Person, and the Head of their Religion. His Power is not Compulsatory, but resolving and perswasive in civil, Criminal and State matters ; his manner of resolving doubts, is by Writing, the Question being first briefly and distinctly stated on Paper, he underneath subscribes his sentences by yea, or no, or in some other short determination, accompanied with the Additions of these words, *God knows better*. Whereby 'tis manifest, his determinations are not esteemed infallible ; this being brought to the *Cadi* or Judge, his Judgment is certainly regulated according to it, and Law Suits of the greatest moment concluded in an hour, without Arrest of Judgment, Appeals, or other dilatory proceedings of the Law.

In matters of State, the *Sultan* asks his Opinion, whether it be in the matter of a Condemnation of a Great Man to Death, or in making War or Peace, or other important Affairs of the Empire, either to appear the more Religious and Just, or to incline the People more willingly to obedience, and this practise has been used in matters of the greatest Importance : Nay, tho' the *Sultan* himself is above the Law, and the Oracle and Fountain of Justice, yet he seldom proceeds so irregularly, as to condemn that Authority wherein their Religion hath placed an ultimate Power of decision in all their Controversies, but when it so happens, as sometimes perhaps it does, that Queries are sent from the Grand Signior to the *Mufti*, which he cannot resolve with the satisfaction of his own Conscience, and the *Sultans* Ends, whereby Important Affairs relating

to the Government, meet with Delays and Impediments; in that Case the *Mufti* is fairly dismissed of his Office, and another Oracle introduced, who shall resolve the difficult demands with a more favourable sentence; if not, he is degraded like the other, and so on till one is found ready to Prophesie what may be most agreeable to the Interest of his Master: This Office was formerly esteemed more sacred by the *Ottoman* Princes than now; for no War was undertaken, or great Enterprize set on Foot, but first, his determination was required with much reverence, as being that without which no blessing or success could be expected: But in these Days they are more remiss, tho' he is sometimes Consulted for form sake. But most commonly the Grand Visier fond of his own Judgment and Authority, assumes the Power to himself, and perhaps first does the thing, and then demands the Approbation of it by the sence of the Law, and herein the *Mufti* has a spacious Field for his Interpretation; for 'tis agreed, that their Law is temporary, and admits of Interpretations according to the times, and the Circumstances of things, and tho' they Preach the perfection of their Alcoran to the People, yet the wiser sort hold, that the *Mufti* hath rested in himself an Expository Power of the Law to improve and better it, according to the state of things, times, and conveniences of the Empire; so that they never designed their Law to be a Clog and Confinement to the Propagating of Faith, but an Advancement thereof, and therefore to be interpreted in the largest and most extensive sence, when the strict words will not reach the design intended.

Thus it was once propounded to the *Mufti*, what Rule should be observed in the Devotion of a *Turk* carried a Slave into the Northern Parts of the World, where in the Winter there was but one Hour of Day, how he might possibly comply with his Obligation of making Prayers five times in twenty four Hours, viz. Morning, Noon, Afternoon, Sun-set, and at an Hour and half within the Night, when the whole Day, being but one Hour, admitted of none of these Distinctions? To resolve this the *Mufti* answered; That God commanded not things difficult, as 'tis in the *Alcoran*, and that Matters ought to be ordered in Conformity to time and place, and making short Prayers once before Day, then twice in the Hour of Light, and twice after it was dark, the Duty was complied with. Another Question of the same nature was proposed to him, concerning the *Kiblah*, or Holy Place of *Meccha*, to which they are obliged to turn their Faces in their Prayers, since at Sea, where they had no Directions, especially being bad Geographers, as the *Turks* commonly are, it was not possible to conform with that necessary Form required in their Devotions? He thought fit to resolve this Doubt also like the former, prescribing a kind of Circular Motion in Prayers, whereby they could not miss of having at some time their Faces towards the Holy City, which, in Case of so much difficulty, was a sufficient compliance with the Duty.

Besides many Cases of this nature, there are several particular Rules of Conscience determined by him; one of which, as related by the learned *Bushbequins*, and that occurred in his time during the War

War between the Emperor of Germany, and the Sultan Solymán, I cannot omit here; and that was, Whether a few Christians taken by the *Grand Signior*, might not be exchanged for many *Turks* in the Emperor's Hands? The *Mufti*, it seems, was much perplex'd about the Resolution of this Question; for sometimes it seemed as if a *Mahometan* were slighted to be rated under the price of a Christian; whereas on the other hand, it looked like want of Charity, Care and Interest of the *Mussulmans*, to neglect real Terms of advantage on such small and subtil Points of Formality. In short, he consulted his Books, and declared, he found two different Authors of great Authority of contradictory Opinions in this Point; and therefore his Judgment was to incline him to that which had most of Favour and Mercy in it.

The *Mussulmans* have so great a deference to the Sacred Order of the *Mufti*, that while he is possessor of that Title, he is rarely put to death, but is first degraded, and then, like common Men, is liable to the Stroke of the Executioner: But in Cases of a notorious Crime, such as Treason, he is brayed to pieces in a Mortar.

After the *Mufti* is elected to his Place, all the Ceremony at his Investiture is this: He presents himself before the *Grand Signior*, who cloaths him with a Vest of rich Sables, worth a thousand Dollars, then makes him a Present of a thousand Dollars more in Gold, put up in an Handkerchief, which he delivers with his own Hand, putting it in the Fold of his under Garment doubled over his Breast. Besides this, he bestows on him a Salary of a thousand Aspers a Day,

which is about five Pounds Sterling than which he has no other Revenue, unless it be the Power of Preferment to some Prebendaries, or Benefices of some Royal *Mosques*, which he sells and disposes of most to his own Advantage, without the Scruple of Corruption or Symony: By the Sentences he gives, call'd *Fetfa's*, he reaps no manner of advantage; tho' they cost each of them eight Aspers, but the Fee thereof goes to his Officers. Other Benefits the *Mufti* has little, except only that at his admission into his Office, he is saluted by all Ambassadors, and Residents for Foreign Princes, as also the Agents of several *Basha's* residing at Court; none of which come empty handed, but offer their usual Presents, whereby he amasses together at least fifty thousand Dollars.

When any *Mufti* is deposed of his Office, without any other Motive than the *Grand Signior's* Pleasure, he is gratified with an *Arpalick*, or the disposal of some Preferment in certain Provinces; and because he is a Person, whose Advice and Counsel is of great Authority with the *Sultan* and *Prime Vezier*, and that his Word and candid Report of Matters is considerable, and his Favour in Sentences much valued, he is therefore courted by all the *Grande'es* of the Empire.

MUNASIHI or *Munafichites*, A Sect among the *Mahometans*, that is purely *Pythagorical*, or believes the Transmigration of Souls, particularly that the Souls of Men deccas'd enter into Beasts, which are in Temperament most agreeable to the Dispositions of those whom they animated before: As the Soul of the Glutton enters into the Swine, of the Lascivious into the Goat;

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Goat, of the Generous into the Horse, of the Vigilant into the Dog, and the like: There are but few of this Opinion in *Constantinople*, but a great many are said to be at *Grand Cairo* in *Egypt*; to which Opinion some will have the *Chineses* to be greatly devoted.

MUNDUS PATENS, *the open World*; A Solemnity performed by *Heathen Rome* in a little Temple or Chappel, that was of a round Form like the World, and dedicated to *Dis* and the Infernal Gods: It was opened but three times a Year, viz. on the 4th of *October*, on the Day after the *Vulcanalia*, and the seventh of the Ides of *November*; during which Days the *Romans* ridiculously believed that Hell was open; for which Reason they never offered Battle on those Days, lifted no Soldiers, never put out to Sea, nor married, according to *Varro*.

MUSERNI, The Title of a *Mahometan* Sect, and signifies, the true Secret is with us; but indeed this Secret is no other but the absolute denial of a Deity: That Nature, or the Internal Principle in every individual thing, directs their orderly Course of things which we see and admire; and that the Heavens, Sun, Moon and Stars, have from thence their Motion and Origin; and that Man himself rises and fades like the Grass or Flower. There are abundance of *Cadees* and learned Men in the *Arabian Legends* that espouse these Sentiments, and some have suffered Death, and professed their Atheism to the last.

MUSES, Certain supposed Divinities among the *Heathens*, and made to be the Daughters of *Jupiter* and *Mnemosyne*: They are Nine, to whom the Invention of Sciences are attributed, *Clio*, *Urania*, *Cal-*

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*lio*pe, *Enterpe*, *Erato*, *Thalia*, *Melpomene*, *Terpsichore*, and *Polyhymnia*, which see under their respective Names. The Poets made Mount *Parnassus* to be their Residence, as also *Helicon* with *Apollo*, consecrated several Fountains to them, as also the Palm and the Lawrel.

MUSORITES. Certain *Jews* who reverenc'd Rats and Mice; the Origin of which Superstition was this; The *Philistines* having taken the Ark of the Covenant away, God sent a great number of Rats and Mice that devoured all they had, which forced them to return to the Ark, that they might be delivered from that Plague; but their Priests advised them first to put five Golden Mice into it, as an Offering to the God of *Israel*, that they might be rid of those Vermin.

MUSSULMANISM. See *Mahometanism* and *Islam*.

MATEVEL, the Rector or President of a *Turkish Mahometan* Mosque, into whose Hands the Revenue thereof is constantly paid.

MUTA or *Tacita Dea*, Reputed by the *Heathens* to be the dumb Goddess, or Goddess of Silence: The *Romans* offered Sacrifice to her for the preventing of Slanders, and joined her Festival to that of the Dead, either because she imitated them in respect to her Silence, or because she was the Mother of the *Lares*, who were accounted to be the *Genii* or Guardian-Angels of Men, during their Lives. *Ovid* describes an odd Ceremony that used to be practised upon this occasion for the prevention of Slanders, and says, That an old Woman, surrounded with a great many young Girls, offered Sacrifice to the Goddess *Muta*, and put three Grains of Frankincense

with three of her Fingers, into a little Hole, having at the same time three black Beans in her Mouth; then she took the Head of an Image, which she besmeared with Pitch, and made Holes therein with a Brass Needle, then threw it into the Fire, and covered it with Mint, pouring some Wine thereon, of which she gave some to the Girls to drink, but reserved the best part for her self, wherewith she made her self drunk, and so sent them home, saying, *Se had stop't the Mouths of Slanderers.*

MYAGROS, The Name of a certain Heathen Deity, whose Office was to hunt or drive out Flies, called in Greek *μῶα*, the *Arcadians* offered Sacrifice to him: And the occasion of this Worship came probably from the importunity of Flies, which is such in hot Countries, that the Assistance of a Divinity was thought necessary to drive them away. *Gregory Nazianzen* in his Discourse against *Julian*. mentions another Deity named *Ekron*, appointed to hunt Flies, and was so denominated because the *Ekronites* a People of *Judæa*, had an Idol worshipped under the Name of *Beelzebub*, that is, the God of Flies.

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NENIA, A Heathen Goddess, to whom the *Romans* built a Temple without the City, and supposed her to preside over the doleful Ditties, which were used to be sung at Funerals in Honour of the Dead, to Flutes and other Instruments, by Men that were hired for that Service, and called *Proficiæ*. The Flutes at the Funerals of both *Greeks* and *Romans*, were not

only used to accompany the Voices of those who sung the *Nenia* in praise of the Dead, but also to point out the Tune when the Assistants were to strike their Breasts in token of their Sorrow.

NAIADES; False Goddesses, believed by the poor Heathens to preside over Fountains and Rivers, and to whom they paid some sort of Worship.

NAKIB ESCREE, The Head or Superior of the *Emirs* or *Mahomet's* Race, who hath his Sergeants and Officers under him, and is vested with so absolute an Authority over them, that he extends it to Life and Death at pleasure, though he will never scandalize this pretended Seed, to execute or punish them. He helps them to clear their Genealogies, which are obscure enough; and then to make them staunch, he gives them a Table of their Lineage and Descent; which Abuse the *Turkish Mahometans* are so sensible of, that they carry the less Respect to the whole Race of them; and whenever they find any of them drunk, or out of order, they first, without any Scruple, take of their Green Turbants, then kissing, and with much Superstitious Reverence, laying them aside, they afterwards beat them without Respect or Mercy.

NAMAZ, The Name of a Prayer repeated by the *Turks* five times every Day. viz. between break of Day and Sun-rising, at Noon, between Noon and Sun-set, after Sun-set, and an Hour and an half after the beginning of the Night.

NAPÆÆ; False Goddesses believed by the *Pagans* to preside over Forests and Hills; some will have them to be the same as *Naiades*, which see

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NASSIB, A Word used by the *Mahometans* to signifie *Fate* or *Destiny*, which, according to their false Belief, is in a Book written in Heaven, containing the good and ill Fortune of all Men, which can no way be avoided; in which Perswasion, with the greatest unconcernedness, they expose themselves to the worst and most threatening Dangers. The *Turks* call it *Naskbor Tactir*, and say, that every Man's Fortune in it, can by no contrary Endeavours, Counsels, or Wisdom be avoided.

NATAGAI, An Idol worshipped by the Heathen *Tartars*, and supposed to be the God of the Earth and of all living Creatures: There is not a House amongst them, where the Image of this Idol, his Wife and Children, are not kept with great Honour and Veneration: They are so senseless as to present them Meat, and to rub their Mouths with its Fat; as supposing them to stand in need of Nourishment.

NAZARITES; The Name of certain Persons under the *Jewish* Law, who made a Vow to abstain from the Fruit of the Vine, from shaving their Heads, or cutting their Hair, and from polluting themselves by the Dead, unless it were for their Father or Mother, and that either for a Term of time, or to their Lives end. There was also a Sect of Christians called by this Name, who received Circumcision, and 'tis said, they afterwards followed the Errors of *Ebion* and *Cerinthus*.

NEBO or *Nabo*, A Deity of the *Assyrians* mentioned by *Isaiab* the Prophet, which, according to *St. Jerom*, presided over Prophecie, though he had no other Proof of it than the signification of the Word. The *Chaldeans* were much

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given to Divination; and *Grotius* says, with great likelihood of Truth, that he was some Wizzard or Astrologer, of whom they had made a God. Some say, that *Belus* was the first and highest God of the *Assyrians*, and the same with the Sun, and that *Nebo* was their Secondary Deity, and the same with the Moon.

NEKIR or *Neker*, the Name of one of the Angels Inquisitors, who came to examine the Dead in their Graves, as the *Mahometans* think, who believe, that both Body and Soul remain in the Grave till the Day of Judgment, and that immediately after the Burial, the Angel Minister with a heavy Mace, accompanied with another called *Nekir*, present themselves to the Dead, and ask them, Who is their God? Who is their Prophet? What is their Belief and Devotion? If they be true *Mahometans*, and profess the same, then they are suffered quietly to rest, and to see what is done in Heaven through a little Window; but those who are not, look upon the Angel to be God, because of his extraordinary Bulk, and therefore adore him; wherefore he gives them a blow with his Mace, and shuts them up within their Sepulchers, so as to see nothing of what passes.

NEMESIS, A Heathen Goddess, and made to be her who was particularly affected to punish the Proud; they made her to be the Daughter of *Jupiter* and *Necessity*, others of the Ocean and the Night. She was also called *Adrastrea*; for *Adrastus* was the first that dedicated a Temple to her. The *Latins* had no proper Name in their Language to express this Goddess by, yet the Poets have not forgot to speak of her

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her, as does *Claudian*. She was also called *Rannusia* from the place where this Goddess was worshipp'd in *Attica*.

NEMESTRINUS, The Hea-then Deity of the Forests and Woods, so called from *Nemus*, which signifies a Wood or Forest. I know not whether any, or what sort of Adoration was paid unto her.

NEOMENIA, *i. e.* The New Moon, or the beginning of the Lunar Month; which Day the *Jews*, by the Divine Commandment, kept as a great Festival or Holy-day: The Great *Sanhedrim* had only the Power of determining the Day of the New Moon, because it was part of their Jurisdiction to determine all Holy-days and Festivals, which the *Jews* were to observe: *Leo de Modena* says, that in the time of the *Sanhedrim*, those Judges sent two Men on purpose to discover the appearing of the Moon; which as soon as they perceived, they returned and signified it to them; who thereupon caused publication to be made, that the New Moon was begun that Day. But since the Destruction of the Temple they had an Almanack or Ephemeris printed to inform them of the New and Full Moons, the four Seasons of the Year, their several Festivals, and the like. The *Jews* were not forbid on their New Moon to work, or go about their Business, only the Women were wont to refrain from their Domestick Drudgery, and the *Jews* had their Tables generally better furnished that Day than at other times: The Evening of the Sabbath which next follow'd after the New Moon, or any other Night the Moon began to appear, the *Jews* assembled themselves together, and said their Prayers to

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God, calling him the Creator of the Planets, and the Restorer of the New Moon, and afterwards lifting up themselves towards Heaven, they begged of God, that he would be pleased to Guard them from all Evil and Mischief, and after having made a Commemoration of *David*, they Saluted one another, and so took their Leaves.

NEOPHITÆ, (New set Plants) a Name given to those Christians, who had lately quitted Judaism or Paganism, to embrace the Faith of the Gospel: It was also given to those that had been newly received among the Clergy, or into any Religious order.

NEPHALIA, Certain Feasts and Sacrifices of the *Greeks*, called the Feast of Sober Men, because at them they offered Mead instead of Wine; the *Athenians* commonly offered this kind of Sacrifice to the Sun and Moon, to Memory, to the Nymphs, to *Aurora* and to *Venus*, and burnt all sorts of Wood, excepting that of the Vine, Fig-Tree, and Mulberry-Tree, because these Trees were looked upon as the symbols of Drunkenness.

NEPTUNE, The pretended Diety of the Sea among the Ignorant Heathens, and made to be the Son of *Saturn* and *Ops*, and the Brother of *Jupiter* and *Pluto*; he Married *Amphitrite*, they made him to be the Creator of the Horse, for thus says *Virgil*.

*Tuque, O cui prima frementem.
Fudit Equum tellus, magno percussa
Neptunus. (tridenti,*

For this reason he was called *Emquester*, and they offered a Horse in Sacrifice to him, and the *Romans* instituted the *Circensian Games* in Honour of him, which consisted in Horse-Races.

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NEREUS, One of the Heathen Dieties of the Sea, made by some to be the Son of *Neptune*, by others of *Pontus*; they make him to have fifty Daughters called *Nereides*, which indeed were no more than so many particular Seas, being parts of the main Sea it self: I find no particular worship paid to this false Diety.

NEREIDES, Sea Nymphs: See *Nereus*.

NERGAL, An Idol of the *Samaritans* represented in the form of a Cock, which indeed was the symbol of the Sun: This Idolatry was Originally introduced among the *Samaritans* by the *Cutheans*, a People of *Persia*, who worship'd the Sun and the Fire.

NESTORIANS, The Disciples of *Nestorius*, a Heretick, whom neither the Death of the Ring-leader, nor the *Anathema* of Councils, nor the Edicts of Emperors, could hinder from spreading themselves far and near throughout the East; where indeed they still continue, and have their Patriarch at *Mosul*, at *Caramit*, and else-where, tho' in reality they seem to differ much from the Ancient *Nestorians*, as appears by their Confessions: They have also often submitted themselves to the Latin Church: Those Christians, who at this Day are called *Nestorians* and *Chaldeans*, are very numerous, and have spread themselves over *Mesopotamia*, and along the *Tigris* and the *Euphrates*, nay, they are got into the *Indies*, and the farther Parts of *Asia*. *Paulus Venetus*, who lived in the thirteenth Century, and lived a great while in *Tartary* and *China*, assures us, there were great Numbers of them in the Provinces of *Tanga*, *Erginul* and *Mogul* in *Tartary*; and in *Cinghianfu*, and *Quinsay*, Great

Cities in *China*, and this agrees with the Account given by the *Portuguese*; since they tell us, all the Christians they met in the West and Eastern-Coast of the *East-Indies*, and in the Empire of the Great *Mogul* were all *Nestorians*, and subject to the Patriarch of *Babylon* in *Chaldea*, whose See was at *Mosul*, and who took the Title of Catholick or Universal, as all the other Patriarchs do. *Joseph* an *Indian* Christian, who in 1500. came to give an Account of the belief of the Easterns to *Alexander VI.* says the same thing, and assures us that this Patriarch, besides other Bishops, ordains two Primates, one for the East in *Cathai*, and the other for the *Indies*.

The *Patriarchate* is as it were Hereditary among them, and is always given to the Nephew, or one that is nighest of Kin to the Patriarch, tho' he be but eight or nine Years of Age, and cannot so much as read; he who is designed for the Patriarchal Dignity must not Marry; but the Priests may Marry twice or thrice, as well as the Seculars, contrary to the practise of other Eastern Christians, who oblige their Priests to continue single after the Death of their first Wives: They officiate in the *Chaldee* Language.

Many Learned Men question, whether the Christians now mentioned be indeed tainted with the *Nestorian* Heresie; they having by several Confessions of their Faith and other publick Acts, fully cleared themselves from that Imputation, and that they are Orthodox in the main, tho' they express themselves in other terms, than the Western Churches do: As for the *Nestorians* belief, the Learned give us this Account of it: In respect to the Mystery

stery of the Incarnation, they affirm, that the word took a Body in the blessed Virgin, that both natures are united in Jesus Christ, without Mixture or Confusion, and that therefore the properties of both remain entire. And as for their not calling the blessed Virgin Mother of God, but Mother of Jesus Christ, the Patriarch *Elias* says, they speak so to Condemn the *Apolinarists*, who pretended that the Divine Nature was without the humane, and to confute *Themistius*, who asserted, that Jesus Christ was but a meer Man: This Patriarch sent the ablest of his Church to Rome with his Confession of Faith, wherein he shewed, that they agreed in the main, but differed in Ceremonies, and he reduced the differences to five Heads, *viz.* That they call the Virgin Mother of Jesus Christ, that they admit two Persons in Christ, that they allow him but one Power and one Will, that they hold the Procession of the Holy Ghost from the Father alone, and assert a miraculous kindling of the fire in the Holy Sepulchre on *Easter Eve*: Thus they justified what they advanced before *Paul V.* that it is a received Principle in both Churches, that the Divine Nature does not beget, nor is of it self begotten; that tho' it is true the Virgin Conceived Jesus Christ, who is both God and Man, yet there were not two Sons, but one only true one, and added, that the *Nestorians* did not deny, but that the Virgin might be called the Mother of God, because Jesus is really God.

2. They say, the *Latins* allow two Natures and one Person, whereas they affirm, there are two Persons and one *Persona*, or visible Person, and but one Will and one Power, which they reconcile in this man-

ner: They distinguish in their understanding, two Persons that answer the two Natures allowed, but beholding with their Corporeal Eyes, but one Christ, who has the *Persona* or Appearance of one only filiation; they allow him but one Power and Will, which does not hinder their acknowledgment of two Operations and two Wills, suitable to the two Natures: As for the two last Points, they are common to them, with all the Eastern Church.

Ross says, that the cause of their Increase was the Incouragement they had from *Chosroes* King of *Persia*, who in hatred to the Emperor *Heraclius*, caused all Christians within his Dominions to become *Nestorians*; adding, that they rejected the Council of *Ephesus*, and all other Councils after it, but have now renounced that Opinion; they Administer the Holy Sacrament with leavened Bread, and in both kinds, allow their Priests to Marry, disown Confirmation and Auricular Confession.

As for *Nestorius* himself, the Author of this Sect: *Spanheim* says, he was Bishop of *Constantinople*, *An.* 428. That he was a Proud severe Man, but Ignorant of Antiquity, that he was Author of the Law made by *Theodosius* the younger, against Hereticks, and that he himself was a *Pelagian*; that his Heresie was occasioned by the Rashness of a certain Judaizing Presbyter, called *Anastatius*; that he was favoured by *Theodoret* Bishop of *Cyrus*, and *John Antiochenus*; but that they favoured his Person more than his Opinion, besides whom he had other Considerable Friends.

NICHOLAITANS, Hereticks who are supposed to have risen in the Christian Church, during the time of the Apostles, and are taken to be

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be the Fathers of the *Gnosticks*; some of the Ancient Fathers affirm, that *Nicholas*, one of the seven first Deacons, was the founder of this Sect; that being blamed by the Apostles for keeping Company with his Wife, whom he had left before to live in Continnence, he invented this brutal Error to excuse his proceeding, and thought that Impurity was a necessary means to attain to Eternal Happiness: Others say, that the Holy Apostles reproaching him for being Jealous of his Wife, who was very handsome, he sent for her, and in a great Assembly gave her leave to Marry whom she pleased: Upon which, some Libertines framed a Heresie of their own, and unjustly called it by his Name. They denyed the Divinity of Christ by an Hypostatical Union, saying, the Divine Inhabited, but was not united to the humane Nature; they held, that all Pleasures were good, and that it was lawful to eat the Meats offered to Idols: Becoming too much known by this Name, they assumed that of the *Gnosticks*, and divided themselves into other Sects called *Phibionites*, *Stratiticks*, *Leviticks* and *Barborites*.

NIGHT, *Nox*, a Heathen Divinity made by some Authors to be the Daughter of the *Chaos*, and Darknes, and others of Heaven and Earth; the Poets tell us, she was Married to *Erebus* the God of Hell, and by him had four Children, *viz.* Fate, or Destiny, old Age, Sleep and Death; the Ancients Painted her holding two Children in her Arms, one asleep and fresh coloured, the other seemingly asleep but black, with its Foot astride, which indeed denoted Death and its true Image asleep, both commonly the off-spring of

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the Night; they usually Sacrificed a Cock to this false Divinity.

NIMETULANI, or *Nimetula-hites*, a Religious order among the *Mahometans* that had its origin in the 777th Year of the *Hegira*, and denomination from one of that Name, famous for his Doctrine and Severity of Life, in the time of *Sultan Mahomet*, the Son of *Bajazet*: He was one, as his followers say, who Preached and Published the Truth, mortified his Body, followed not the Affections of his Carnal Appetite, knew the Intrinsick Nature and Quiddity of all Creatures, rendered continual Prayer and Praises to his Creator, was ravished with Extacies and Raptures, wherein he often obtained the Happiness to Discourse with God: He eat every thing that God had made lawful for humane Nourishment, without Fasts or strict Diet; while he slept, he extended not his Feet like Beasts of no sence. Sometimes the fear of God made him tremble, and none ever arrived to his pitch of perfection, nor to that intimate Knowledge of the Divine secrets.

The Professors of this Order assemble every *Monday* Night to praise the Unity of the Divine Nature, and celebrated the Name of God with Hymns and Songs: Those who would initiate themselves into this Order, are first obliged to make a Quarantine, remaining alone in a Chamber for the space of forty Days, with four and twenty Drams of Meat a Day, during which they see the Face of God, the Sublime Paradise, and praise the Creator of the Universe: Then they are taken out by the Fraternity, dance a Morris-Dance, in which *Vagary*, if any Vision appear to the Novices from God, they throw their Cloaths behind them, and

fall flat with their Faces on the Ground, as in an Apoplectick Fit, till the Prior coming to make Prayers over them, they by Degrees return to their Senses again, but continue a while like drunken Men, distracted or stupid : But afterwards their Prior in secret enquires into their Visions and Revelations, which they communicate to him, or some other serious and grave Person, well instructed in the Mysteries of their Profession.

NIXIDII, Certain Divinities worshipped by the Heathen *Romans*, and supposed by them to be the Helpers of Women in their Child-bed-throws : They were supposed to be three in number ; and the *Romans* placed their Statues in the Capitol, over against the Altar of *Minerva*. It's said, the *Romans* brought them out of *Syria* after the defeat of *Antiochus* : These Deities were represented in the posture of Women in Labour.

NOCTURNA : The *Papists* bestow this Name upon that part of their Church-Prayers or Office, which they also call *Matutina* or *Matins*, that are commonly divided in three *Nocturns*, so denominated because they were used only to be sung by Night ; and this is still observed in some of their Cathedral Churches, where they sing their *Matins* at Midnight, in imitation of the Primitive Christians, who by reason of the Persecution of the Heathen Emperors, were necessitated to meet at Night ; and this gave their Adversaries occasion to charge them with the most abominable Calumnies.

NODINUS or *Nodosus*, A Heathen Deity that presided over the Knots that are in the Stalks of Corn, and for that reason, according

to St. *Austin*, was worshipped by the *Romans*.

NOMOCANON, A Collection of Church-Canons, with the Addition of those Civil Laws to which they refer. The first was made about the Year 558, by *John*, Patriarch of *Constantinople*, and was divided into fifty Titles, to which he reduced all Ecclesiastical Matters. There was another made by *Photius*, Patriarch of *Constantinople* about the Year 883, and the whole reduced into fourteen Heads. *Arsenius* Monk of Mount *Atlas*, made a new *Nomocanon* in the Year 1255. To which he added Notes, shewing the Conformity of the Imperial Laws with the Patriarchal Constitutions, and the Civil Laws that did agree with them, which he called *Syntagma*, or a Collection of Canons and Laws referring to each other.

NOTARIES of *Rome*, since called *Protonotaries*, so far as this Name and Office hath or does relate to the Church, we shall take notice of it in this place. It's said, that during the Persecutions of the Primitive Church, St. *Clement* the Disciple of the Apostles, appointed seven Notaries for the fourteen Quarters or Wards of the City of *Rome*, whose Office was to set down in writing, the Particulars of the Imprisonment and Deaths of the Martyrs ; after which, St. *Fabian*, as they will have it, appointed seven Sub-deacons to have an Eye over those Notaries, and take care of their faithful discharge of this their Duty, obliging them to put their Acts into the Hands of those Deacons, that they might present them to him, and to the Popes his Successors, as was already practised in the time of *Anterus*, his Predecessor, of whom it is said, that he

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took great care to have these Registers of the Notaries brought to him, and laid up amongst the Church-Records, to be there faithfully kept for Posterity. This Method which was practised with so much exactness at *Rome*, was likewise observed by the Clergy in other places; and so we read, that the Ecclesiasticks of *Achaia* took care to preserve an Historical Account of the Martyrdom of St. *Andrew*, of which they had been Eye-witnesses. Thus the Martyrdom of St. *Polycarp* was writ by the Clergy of *Smyrna*, and so the Churches of *Vienne* and *Lyons* transmitted an Account of *Photinus* and *Blandina*, and several other Martyrs; of which also we might give many other Instances,

NOVATIUS, Whom the *Greek* Authors, for the most part, confound with *Novatus*, of a Stoick Philosopher became a Christian, as he was taken desperately ill; but when presently recovered, he neither did what the Ecclesiastical Rule required, nor was confirmed by the Bishop, which though the People and Clergy objected against it, yet he was made Priest. In 257 *Cornelius* being chosen Pope or Bishop of *Rome*, after *Fabian's* Death, he grew disgusted, so that having drawn such as were fallen from *Cyprian* and several *Roman* Confessors to his Party, he sent for three ignorant Bishops of *Italy* to *Rome*, and having shut them in, got them at an Entertainment, to ordain him Bishop of *Rome*, wherewith he acquainted the Church, and thereupon sent his new Companions to proselite the Unwary and Credulous, making his Brethren take this Oath, *I swear by the Body and Blood of Christ, that I will never desert you, nor return to Cornelius.* But these

Artifices not availing, he began to broach his Errors about Penance; affirming, that such as had once fallen, were never after to be received into Communion, but to be left wholly to God's Judgments.

NOVATUS, A Christian Priest of *Carthage*, who being summon'd to appear before his Bishop in 249, as being accused of having spurned his Wife while she was big with Child, and caused her thereby to miscarry; but the Persecution obliging St. *Cyprian* to abscond, *Novatus* was hereby delivered from the fear of appearing before him; and not long after joining himself with *Felicissimus* a Deacon, he began to maintain, that Persons who had fallen into any open Sin, ought to be receiv'd into Communion without the imposing of any Penance: However, sometime after going to *Rome*, he joined with a contrary Opinion, and at last returned to *Africa*, but what became of him afterwards is not known.

NOVATIANS. See *Novatus*, whose Followers they were.

NOVENDIALES, A Sacrifice continu'd by the Heathen *Romans* for nine Days, to avert the Calamities wherewith they were menaced by Prodigies, and to appease the Anger of their supposed Deities; in which Case the Senate used to send an Order to the High-Priest, or Prator of the City, for the observation of this Solemnity.

NOVENSILES among the Heathen *Romans*, were Heroes newly received into the number of their Gods; or else the Gods of the Provinces and Kingdoms, which the *Romans* had conquered, and to which they offered Sacrifice under the Name of *dii Novensiles*. Some will have it, that this Name was gi-

ven, because they were nine in number, as *Health*, *Fortune*, *Vesta*, *Hercules*, *Romulus*, *Æsculapius*, *Bacchus*, *Æneas*, and *Faith*, and others, that this was a Name given to the *Nine Muses*.

NUDIPEDALIA, Certain Sacrifices which the *Jews* solemnized with their bare Feet, to be delivered from some great and incumbent Affliction. After having continu'd their Prayers for the space of thirty Days together, and abstained from Wine, they shaved their Heads, and went bare-footed to the Temple, and offered their Sacrifice. The *Jews* finding themselves oppress'd by *Florus*, Governour of *Judea*, for the Emperor *Nero* celebrated this bare-footed Ceremony with extraordinary Solemnity; *Berenice*, King *Agrippa's* Sister, accompanied them therein, and ever appear'd bare-footed in behalf of the *Jews* before the Tribunal of *Florus*, but without Success: The *Greeks*, *Romans*, and other Nations also observed the like Solemnities, as *Tertullian* informs us in his *Apologetick*.

NUMERIA, A Heathen Goddess presiding over Numbers and Accounts, according to *St. Augustin*: but I know not of any, or what manner of Adoration was paid unto her.

NYCTELIA, Feasts of the Heathens in Honour of their false God *Bacchus*: and so called, because they were celebrated in the Night. They were celebrated every three Years in the beginning of the Spring by Night, with Flambeaux and Drinking, and accompanied with the worst of Insolencies and Impurities: Wherefore also the *Romans* forbid the solemnizing of them, because of the Disorders committed at them.

NYMPHS. False Deities believed by the Heathens to preside over Waters, Rivers, and Fountains, Forests and Trees. The Ancients took the Nymphs to be *Bacchus* his Nurses. They have sometimes been represented, each of them, with a Vessel, into which they poured Water, and holding the Leaf of an Herb in their Hands, which grows in Waters and Wells, or else another-while with that of a Water-Plant called *Nymphaea*. The Nymphs were sometimes honoured with the Title of *August*, as other Deities were, which appears by this Inscription.

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That is, *Votum Solvit libens Merito*, i. e. *Maturnus* has freely and fully discharged her Vow to the *August Nymphs*. This Epithere was given them by way of Honour, because it was believed they watched for the Preservation of the Imperial Families.

The Opinion of the *Greeks* concerning Nymphs, as well as their Names, was originally derived from the *Phœnicians*; for according to the Testimony of *Porphyry*, all the Souls of Men were called Nymphs, it being the same with *Nephen* in *Hebrew*, which signifies a *Soul*: For they believed, that the Souls of the Dead wandred about the Places where they had taken their greatest Delight, while they were joined to their Bodies; which gave not only occasion to the *Eastern*, but also to other Nations, to sacrifice in Groves and under Green Trees, as supposing them to be the Haunts of departed Souls: Thus the *Greeks* were

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were of opinion, that their Forefathers, the ancient Inhabitants of their Country, who had lived in Groves and Woods, were became *Dryades*; those that dwelt on Mountains *Oreades*; the Inhabitants of the Sea-shore *Nereides*; and those who had lived near Rivers and Fountains *Naiades*.

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OCCATOR, A Heathen Deity, and reputed to be the President of that part of Husbandry, which consists in breaking the Clods and harrowing the Ground.

OCEAN, *Oceanus*, The Heathen Deity of the Sea, according to the Poets, who made him to be the Son of *Cœlum* and *Vesta*, the Husband of *Thetis*, and the Father of Rivers and Fountains. *Homer* in his *Iliads* makes him to be the Father of the Gods, and *Tethys* their Mother: And this Opinion may have its Origin from that Text in *Genesis*, where the Chaos seems to be represented like the Confusion of the Waters before God reduced them into Order, and made a distinction between them. In this Sense the Ocean and *Thetys*, that is, that Abyss, which comprehended the Heaven and Earth, as an immense quantity of Waters, before the same were separated by the Distribution made of the Chaos, this Abyss, I say, might be called the Father and Mother of all the Great Bodies of which Nature was composed, and which bore the Name of Gods among the Heathen, and whereas 'tis said, that *Oceanus* was begotten of *Cœlum* and *Tethys*, by that is meant nothing else but

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the Ocean that was separated from the Heavens and the Earth, as it was upon the Reduction of the Chaos into Order.

The innumerable petty Deities made by the Heathens to preside over the Waters, might be the occasion of giving unto the Ocean, the Quality of Father of the Gods; though in the main this vast number of Water Deities, signifies no more than the Distribution of the Waters of the Ocean, by various Conduits, throughout all the Earth, *Virgil* in his *Georgicks* sacrificed to the Ocean.

Oceano Libemus, ait.

And he brings in *Aeneas* sacrificing a Bull to the Gods of the Sea: And, according to *Justin*; *Alexander*, after he had subdued and passed through *Asia*, as far as the Ocean, offered Sacrifice, and pray'd him to grant him an happy Return into Greece.

ODID, A false Deity of the ancient *Danes*, which was accounted by them, together with another God, called *Thor*, preside over Battles. Some learned Men are of opinion, that this *Odin*, and some other Gods of the North, were Magicians, who came to *Denmark* and *Sweden* from the *Asiatick Scythia*, and by their Magical Arts, made the People believe, they were the same Gods they then adored, whose Names they gave themselves: They report of *Odin*, that finding that he could not avoid Death, he commanded his Body to be burnt as soon as he was dead, assuring them, that his Soul should return to *Ascardie*, from whence he came, there to live for ever, that being the Capital City from whence the Magicians came, and where the

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Danes placed their *Vall-Kell*, or *Elysian* Fields.

OENANTHIUS, A Heathen God worshipped by the *Phenicians*; 'tis to this false Diety that *Heliogabalus* Consecrated his Imperial Apparel.

OLYMPII, A Name given by the *Athenians* to their twelve chief Dieties, to whom they had Dedicated a very magnificent Altar, viz. *Jupiter, Mars, Mercury, Neptune, Vulcan, Apollo, Juno, Vesta, Minerva, Ceres, Diana, and Venus*: 'Tis said, that *Alexander* the Great after the Conquest of *Persia*, desired to have his Statue received among the Number of these Dieties, and set upon the same Altar, which the *Greeks* from a base Spirit of flattery easily granted him.

OMAN, A false Diety of the *Persians*, whom the *Magi* were obliged to worship every Day, and for a whole hour to Sing Hymns of Praise to him, with their turbants on their Heads, and Vervein in their Hands: Others called him *Aman*.

OMBIASSES, The Names of the Priests and Doctors of the false Religion, which obtains in the *Isle* of *Madagascar*, who are somewhat of the Nature of those whom they call *Marabants* at *Cape verde*, i. e. Physicians and Southsayers, or Magitians; there is one sort of them which teach to write *Arabick*, and to make *Hitidzi*, that is *Talismans*, or other Charms, which they sell to the Great ones, to preserve them from ill Accidents, and to rid themselves of their Enemies, or for any other purpose they desire.

OPALIA, Feasts Celebrated by the *Romans* in Honour of their false Goddess *Ops*, Wife of *Saturn*, the 14th of the Calends of *January*, which was the third Day of the *Saturnalia*, *Saturn* and *Ops* being looked upon as Dieties that took care

of the Fruits of the Earth; their Feasts were Celebrated after Harvest, at which they Feasted their Slaves, and allowed them all manner of liberty in Consideration of the pains they had taken to till the Ground.

OPHITES, A sort of Hereticks that appear'd in the second Century, and proceeded from the *Nicholaitans* and *Gnosticks*: It's said, they Honoured a Serpent, and when their Priests Celebrated their mysteries, they made a Serpent come out of a hole, which after it had rolled it self over the things that were to be offered in Sacrifice, they said that *Jesus Christ* had Sanctified them, and then delivered them to the People who worshipped them.

OPINION, A false Deity of the Ancient *Pagans*, worshipped as if she presided over men's sentiments, which for the most part are pure Conjectures; she was represented in the form of a young Woman, with a bold look, but a staggering Gate.

OPINIONISTS, A Name given in *Pope Paul's* time, to a Sect that boasted of affected Poverty, and held there could be no Vicar of *Christ* on Earth, that did not practise this Vertue.

OPPORTUNITY, A false Goddess Honoured by the *Pagans*, as the superintendant of the fittest season, wherein to accomplish any business, and was commonly represented in the form of a Naked Woman bald behind, with a long Lock before, one of her Feet in the Air, and the other on a Wheel, holding a Razor in one Hand, and a Sail in the other: Her Feet were also winged, and the Wheel in continual motion, to shew that opportunity is always inconstant and momentary;

so that if not made use of when it offers, it soon slips away, leaving Repentance behind it, as a perpetual Companion : I know of no Temple erected to it.

OPS, See *Cybele*.

ORACLE, An ambiguous and obscure Answer which the Heathen Priests made to the People, concerning things to come, by making them believe that God spoke by their Mouths ; the madness and blindness of the *Pagans* in respect to their Oracles, cannot be sufficiently admired, the same being capacious and obscure, and nothing else but the meer Artifice of their Priests, without any Diabolical operation : The custom of consulting the Oracle was not known, in that they called the Golden Age, wherein they lived in tranquility of mind and perfect innocence, whereas afterwards the restless humour, and inconstant disposition of Mankind, lead them to make Inquiry after futurity : *Ovid* indeed says, that *Themis* in the time of the deluge pronounced Oracles.

Fatiditamq; themin quæ tunc oracula tenet.

But this is to make the usage of Oracles to exist in the first Ages, against the Judgment of *Stavins*, and what we read in Scripture ; for tho' God spoke to *Adam* and to *Noah*, yet 'tis certain, that Divine Apparitions and Predictions, Divinations and the Responses of Oracles, did not begin to be frequent till the time of *Abraham*, to whom God began to make Promises of the Land of *Canaan* ; that is, that it was not till the second *Millenium* was expired, when Men began to be engaged in the service of God, by promises and frequent Predictions

of future blessings ; and this the Devil delay'd not to imitate among the Gentiles.

We know of nothing more Ancient than what *Homer* says, of the Oracle of *Jupiter* at *Dodona*, which *Ulysses* went to consult, that he might learn of the Oak-Trees the way to get back to *Ithaca* : However *Herodotus* says, that the *Phœnicians* having stole away two Prophetesses from *Thebes* in *Egypt*, one of them they carried to *Lybia*, and the other to *Greece* ; that these set up two Oracles, the one *Jupiter Ammon* in *Africa*, the other *Jupiter Dodoneus* in the Oak-Tree Grove at *Dodona* ; thus Oracles had their beginning in *Egypt* : Others have said, that there were two Doves brought up at *Thebes*, which delivered Oracles at *Dodona* and *Ammon*, and *Silius Italicus* following this Opinion writes.

In gremio Thebes geminas sedisse Columbas.

Strabo says, that the Oracles of *Dodona* and of *Jupiter Olympius* were silent in his time, and *Tacitus* informs us, that *Germanicus* consulted the Oracle of *Apollo* at *Colophon* in *Asia* ; the Priest went down to it into a Cave, after having taken the Name and Number of such as came to consult it, and answered all of them in Verse, tho' he had not studied at all for it ; and *Lucian* in his treatise *de Dea Syria*, speaks of an Oracle of *Apollo*, wherein that false Dicty gave Answers himself, whereas otherwise his Priests did it : When he was about to predict any thing, he shook himself, then his Priests took him upon their shoulders, and if they did not, he moved himself and sweated, when they took him up, he led them

them where he pleased, guiding them as a Coachman does his Horses, turning them this or that way, and passing from one to another, till the Chief Priest asked what he had a mind to know. If the thing displeased him he went back, but if otherwise he advanced forwards, and I have known him once, continues he, raise himself up and pass thro' the Air; this is the way they come to know his will, and they do nothing in publick or private without first consulting him. *Cicero* speaks, that all Nations have taken their Divinations from such things as were most familiar to them, and *Ammianus Marcellinus*, talks of a singular way of Divination among the *Scythians* with long staves (which the Women made choise of) being that which was called *Rhabdomancy*, whereof the Scripture gives us an Example in the *Assyrians* who made use of it; *Nebuchodonezar* laying siege to *Jerusalem*, tryed there different ways in order to know the event of his Enterprize; he used *Rhabdomancy* by mixing and unmixing his Arrows, Consulted the Idols, that is, the Oracles, and inspected the Entrails of Beasts: And thus the *Assyrians* and *Babylonians* might very well Communicate their superstitions to the *Egyptians*, who might afterwards send them from thence into *Greece*.

There is indeed no certainty that the *Demons* delivered Oracles; but according to the Opinion of the Learned *Vossius*, it's likely if some Oracles have been Counterfeited by the Cunning Persons hid in them, it does not follow, but that the Devil may have answered in others, in order to seduce those that Consulted them; and if what they said bore a double meaning according to that of *Ennius*.

Aio te Æacide; Romanos vincere posse.

It was because they could only give probable Conjectures concerning futurities, and therefore made use of obscure and ambiguous words, that People might think they did not comprehend the right sense, when the Event hapned contrary to Expectation: The chief Ground of these objections are, that Oracles ceased at the Birth of Christ, that the Devils themselves owned that the fear of the Name of Jesus Christ, hindred them from answering as they were accustomed to do, as the Oracle of *Delphos* answered *Augustus*, when he Consulted him about his succession. These may be thus answered, first, that the Oracles of whose silence *Plutarch* complains, had ceased four hundred Years before the Birth of our Saviour, and that such as flourished immediately before, continued a long time after: As to the second, there is no History mentions, that *Augustus* ever consulted the Oracle at *Delphos*; nor is it likely that he should in his old Age take a Journey into *Greece*, to know who should be his successor: Whereas he designed *Tiberius* for the Throne, to which it may be added, that the most famous Oracle of *Greece* ceased after the War of the *Persians*; for Towns and whole Provinces being laid waste, the Priests quitted their Posts, and immediately upon their departure, the Oracles ceased.

There were a great many Places famous for Oracles, but the most remarkable seems to be that of *Apollo* at *Delphos*; but his responses like the rest were ambiguous, particularly in the case of *Cæsar*, which occasioned his destruction, viz.

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Cresus Halyn penetraus magnam subvertet opum vim.

And *Suidas* tells us (notwithstanding what has been already said to the contrary) that *Augustus* sending to consult this Oracle about his Successor, received an Answer to this purpose.

*An Hebrew Child, whom the blest Gods adore,
Hath bid me leave these shrines and pack to Hell;
So that of Oracles I can no more:
In silence leave our Altar, and Farewell.*

Whereupon *Augustus* caused an Altar to be erected in the Capitol, with this Inscription, *Hæc est Ara Primogeniti Dei*; and *Plutarch* relates a most memorable Passage concerning Oracles, in this manner: Some Persons sailing out of Greece for Italy, were becalmed about *Echinados*, when on a sudden there was a Voice heard calling aloud on one *Thamuz* an Egyptian, then in the Ship, who neglecting the first two, answered at the 3d Call, *Here I am*; whereupon the Voice ordered him, when he came to the *Palades* to make it known, that the great God *Pan* was dead. And as soon as he came to the *Palades*, which are Rocks in the *Ionian Sea*, *Thamuz* standing upon the Poop of the Ship, obeyed according to Direction: Whereupon they heard a mighty noise of many Groans and Lamentations, together with terrible and hideous Shriekings. Now *Tiberius* the Emperor, consulting the learned Men of his Empire, who this *Pan* should be, they answered, the Son of *Mercury* and *Penelope*: But *Heylin* says, That

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those who observed the Circumstance of this Action, found it to happen at the time when our blessed Saviour suffered, who was indeed the true God *Pan*, the chief Shepherd and Bishop of our Souls; and that upon this Promulgation of his Death and Passion, the Devils, who used to speak in Oracles, did, with much Grief and Lamentation, forsake that Office which had been so gainful to them, in seducing Mankind; their Oracles beginning then to fail, and in a short time after sensibly decayed.

ORATORY, A Congregation of Christian Priests, founded at Rome by *Philip Neri* of Florence, which was confirmed and approved by *Gregory XIII.* in 1575, and Pope *Paul* ratified the Constitutions of it in 1612. This Congregation hath produced a great many learned Men, and amongst the rest Cardinal *Baronius*.

ORATORY, (of *Jesus*) another Congregation of Priests founded in France by the Cardinal of *Berule* in 1611, approved by *Paul* in 1613, and since much spread in France and the Low Countries, The Priests of the *Oratory*, are by their Establishment obliged to honour, as far as tis possible for them, the Mysteries of the Infancy, the Life and Death of our Lord Christ, and to instruct Youth in their Colledges, to educate Clerks for the Service of the Church in their Seminaries, and to teach the People in their Sermons and Missions. This Congregation has also produced divers learned and famous Men.

ORDERS of Monks; They are in the Church of Rome distinguished in this manner, by their Habits: The *White Fryars* are Canons Regular, of the Order of St. *Augustin*:

Grey

Gray Fryars are *Cistercian* Monks, who changed their Black Habit into a Gray one: the *Black Fryars* also are *Benedictines*.

ORGIA, A Term made use of by the *Heathens*, whereby to express the Feasts and Sacrifices of their false God *Bacchus*, which were more particularly celebrated upon Mountains, by raving Women, called *Bacchanales*. *Servius* says, That at first all sorts of Sacrifices were called *Orgia* in *Greece*, though afterwards restrained to the Sacrifices of *Bacchus*.

ORIGINISTS, Christian Hereticks, so called because they maintained some Errors drawn from *Origen's* Book concerning Principles: Whether they were truly his, or by Malice inserted in his Writings, by some that were desirous to gain Authority to their extravagant Opinions, is not certain. However, it was from this Book that *Pelagius* drew his Heresie; which made *Jerom* say, That *Origen* was the Favourite of the *Pelagians*. The *Origenists* held, that Jesus Christ was not the Son of God, any other way than by Grace and Adoption; That compared with Men, he was Truth, but if with God, the contrary. They published, that Souls were created before Bodies, and that they sin in Heaven; that the Sun, Moon, Stars, and the Waters that are under the Firmament, have all Souls; that Bodies shall rise in a round Form; that the Torments of Devils and damned Souls, shall have an end; and that the fallen Angels shall at last be restored to their first State: They broached several other Errors; and some of them renewed the Abominations of the *Gnosticks*, and for that Reason were called *Dirty* and *Impure*. The Monks of *Egypt* and

Nitria were more particularly tainted with those Errors; which also infected *Rome* by reading of *Ruffinus's* Translation of *Origen's* Principles; which occasioned *St. Jerom*, at *Pammachus* his Request, to make a true Translation: These Heresies infected the Church in the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Century.

OROMAZES; A Name which the *Magi* and the *Chaldeans* gave to the highest God, and in the *Chaldean* Language signifies *Burning Light*. They described God all surrounded with Fire, and commonly said, that his Body was like Light, and his Soul resembled Truth, according to the Account of *Porphyry* in the Life of *Pythagoras*: This God was the good Principle, according to them: But they owned also an evil Principle, which they call *Azimanus*, as much as to say in *Chaldee*, *who is my Enemy*, or *Subtil and Deceiver*, who opposed *Oromazes*, and by whom he was to be destroyed in the end.

ORSI, A Name which the *Persian Magi* gave unto God: *Masilius Tincinus* has well observed, that the chief and principal Name of God consists of four Letters in most Languages: For the *Hebrew* have the *Tetragrammaton* or Name with four Letters; the *Greeks* *Θεός*, the *Latins* *Deus*, the *Arabians* *Alla*, the *Egyptians* *Theat*, their *Th* being but one Letter; the *Persians* *Cyre*, the *Magi* *Orsi*, the *French* *Dieu*, &c.

OSCOPHARIA, A Feast celebrated by the *Athenians* on the 10th of *October*, in Honour of *Bacchus* and *Ariadne*, and instituted by *Theseus*, after he had deliver'd his native Country from the Tribute of seven Youths, and as many Virgins, which they were obliged yearly to send

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send to the King of *Crete*, to be devoured by the *Minotaur*, by killing that Monster. The Ceremony of this Festival was performed in the following manner: They made choice of two young Gentlemen, whom they drest like young Women, who carrying Branches of Vines in their Hands, went thus in Procession from the Temple of *Bacchus* to that of their other false Deity *Minerva*; after which all the young Gentlemen of the City ran Races for a Prize, with Vine Branches in their Hands, from the one Temple to the other.

OSIRIS, the Son of *Jupiter* and *Niobe*, King of *Egypt*, and the Husband of *Io* or *Isis*, who having established good Laws in that Country, were both by the Ignorant *Pagans* worshipped with Divine Honours after their Deaths. It was said, that *Osiris* being slain by his Enemies, was changed into an Ox; in which Form the *Egyptians* worshipped him under the Name of *Apis* and *Serapis*.

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PACHACAMAC, the Name whereby the *Peruvians* call God, the Creator of the World, besides whom, they worship the Sun, and many other imaginary Deities. *Pachacamac's* principal Temple was in the Valley of *Pachacama*, in which the *Peruvians* had several Idols, by whom the Devils gave Responses. But they had so great a Veneration for the *Pachacamac*, that they offered him what they esteemed most precious, and durst not look upon him; so that even their Priests and Kings entred into his Temple with their Backs towards the Altar,

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and came out out again without daring to turn about.

PACIFICK, or *Peace-makers*, A Name given to those Christians in the fifth Century, who conformed to the *Henoticon* of the Emperor *Zeno*, being an accommodation between those then called *Catholicks* and *Erroneous*.

PAGANALIA; A sort of Religious Festivals solemnized by the *Heathens* in Country Villages, instituted by *Servius Tullius*, the fourth King of *Rome*, after he had created the Country Tribunes, consisting of a certain number of Villages, in each of which an Altar was to be erected for an Annual Sacrifice to their Tutelary Gods, whereat all were to assist, and give Presents in Money, according to their Sex and Age; by which the number of Inhabitants was discovered. The Peasants presented Cakes to *Ceres* and *Tellus*, to obtain a plentiful Harvest.

PAGANS, From *Pagus*, a Village, were so denominated, not because they retired into the Country, but that when the Christians began first to Preach in Cities, the Inhabitants of them were converted, before that those of the Country could have the means dispensed to them.

PAGOD, The Name given by the *Indians* and *Chineses*, to their Temples and Idols.

PALATUA, The Heathen Goddess believed by the *Romans* to preside over the Pallace; *Palatua*, the Sacrifice which was offered to her, and *Palatualis* the Priest that offered the Sacrifice.

PALENESS, A Heathen Diety: See *Pallor*.

PALES, The Heathen Goddess of Shepherds, beloved of *Apollo*; there was a Feast Celebrated in Honour

of *Apollo*, April 20. or 21. by offering Sacrifices and making great fires of Straw and Hay, which were kindled with great Rejoycings, and by Sound of Drums and Trumpets. The Country People leaped over those fires, and purified their Cattle therewith, in order to keep them from the Mange and other Distempers: See *Palilia*.

PALILIA, Pagan Feasts and Publick Rejoycings, made as well in the Country as City of *Rome*, April 20th. in Honour of *Pales* the Goddess of flocks, to intreat her to make them fruitful, and to preserve them from the usual Diseases, fires were kindled both in City and Country, such as are at this Day used in Popish Territories on *St. John's Eve*; Nay, a Remnant of this Heathenism is remaining to this Day in some Parts of *Wales*, where on the fore-mentioned Evening, they burn the bark of Trees set in forked pieces of Wood, which they carry round their folds, for the supposed purification or preservation of them: The *Romans* made those fires with bean straw, Horse Blood and Calves Ashes, which Calf they took out of the Cows belly, that they Sacrificed on the Day of the *Ford'cidia*, at what time the chiet of the Vestal Virgins burnt those Calfs, and gathering the Ashes carefully up, they preserved the same for a perfume, on the Day of the *Palilia*, that so the People and their Cattle might be purified therewith: It was to her that they went to fetch those Ashes, which afterwards they threw into the fire as *Ovid* tells us.

*I, pete Virgineæ populus suffimen ab ara,
Vesta dabit, vestæ numine purus eris:
Sanguis equi suffimen erit, vitilig;
favilla*

Tertia Res, dura Culmen inane fabæ.

The People Danced round the fire and purified themselves thus: They lighted a great fire in the morning made of the Branches of Olive, Pine and Lawrel, and threw some brimstone upon it, then went to fetch their Cattle, which they drove round it, and drew in the smell that came therefrom; after which they offered Sacrifice to the Goddess, which consisted of Milk, boyled Wine and Millet, the same being accompanied with Vows and Prayers, for the fruitfulness and preservation of their flocks; then they fell to eat and divert themselves, leaping over the fire which they had kindled; these Feasts were also performed in Honour of *Rome's* Original, which was on that Day founded by *Romulus*.

PALICI, Certain Heathen Dieties famous in *Sicily*; *Diodorus Siculus* says, the Temple of these false Divinities was much revered and very ancient; there were in it two very deep Basons of boiling and sulphurous water, which were always full without ever runing over: In this Temple it was that they took the most solemn Oaths, and Perjuries were there presently avenged with some terrible punishment. Some, they said, lost their Eye-sight; in so much that those Oaths determined the most intricate causes; this Temple was also used as an *Asylum*, for such Slaves as were oppressed by their Masters, the Masters not daring to violate the Oath they took there, that they would use them more kindly; *Silius Italicus*, in a line and an half has exprest all that *Diodorus* has said.

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Et qui presenti domitant Perjuria
Palici,
Pectora supplicio.

Macrobius, Relates a Fable out of *Esquilus* concerning a Nymph, whom *Jupiter* had ravished, and who for fear of *Juno* hid her self in the Earth; at the time of her delivery she brought forth two Sons, who were called *Palici* *ἄνδρες παλικοί*, as being such as had entred into the Earth, and came out again; the word *Palici* comes from the Hebrew *Palichin*, i. e. *Venerables*, *Colendi*; *Hesychius* says, the Father of these two Brothers was *Adranus*, which is derived from the Hebrew *Adir*, that is one of Gods Eulogies, signifying *Glorious* and *Industrious*: The two Basins where the Oaths were taken were called *Delli*, and from thence Divine Vengeance broke out upon the Perjured; the word being perhaps derived from the Hebrew *Daal*, i. e. to draw, for *Aristotle* assures us, that he that swore writ his Oath upon a Note, which he threw into the water, the Note swam upon the surface, if he swore what was true, otherwise it disappear'd, and of this *Ovid* speaks naturally enough.

Perq; lacus altos & olentia sulphure
fertur,
Stagna Palicorum rupta ferventia
terra.

PALLAS, A Heathen Goddess said to come out of *Jupiter's* Brain, compleatly Armed by the help of *Vulcan*, who Cleft his Head with a very sharp **AX**, the same as *Minerva*, which see.

PALLIUM, A kind of a mantle, wherewith the Christian Emperors began to Honour the Prelates of the

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Church in the fourth Age, being desirous it should be the Ornament of those Prelates, and a mark of their spiritual Authority over the Inferior orders of their Churches, as the Emperors used it, in token of the temporal Power they had over those of the Empire: At first it covered all the body of the Prelate, and reached down from the Neck to the very Hee's, being not made of Silk, nor of Linnen, but of Wool, to represent the Sheep, which *Jesus Christ* the good Shepherd, carried upon his shoulders: It was afterwards but a kind of stole; the *Patriarchs* took the *Pallium* at the Altar, at the Ceremony of their Consecration; they sent one of them to the *Metropolitans* of their Patriarchships, when they confirmed their Elections, and these same bestowed them upon the Bishops of their Province, when Consecrating of them, after having first confirmed the Choise made according to the Canons; infomuch that neither the one nor the other, could exercise any Pontifical function, unless they had received the *Pallium*: They never used this vest but at the Altar, when Celebrating of solemn Mass, and also pulled it off, while the Gospel was read: No Prelates had this Ornament in the West before the sixth Century, and it was not till about the middle of the eighth Century, that Pope *Zachary* granted it to all Arch-Bishops or *Metropolitans*.

PAN, A Heathen *Egyptian* Diety, worshipped under the shape of a Goat, reputed to be the God of Shepherds, and also considered as the God of Nature; he was likewise called *Mendes*, which is an He-Goat in the *Egyptian* Language: *Ensebius* gives us the Opinion of *Porphyry*, concerning him, who says,

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that *Pan* was one of the Good *Genii*, engaged in the service of *Bacchus*, who shewed himself sometimes to labouring Men, and put them into such terrible frights, that many of them dyed thereof, whence they came to be called *Panick* fears: It's true, that *Pan* was Honoured in *Ægypt* under the form of an He-Goat, and that the *Dæmons* very often took upon them the shape of that Animal, from whence perhaps they are often termed in Scripture *Pilosi*, He-Goats, and this sort of Idolatry was common even in *Moses* his time, seeing the same had crept in among the Israelites. *Non sacrificabunt amplius sacrificia sua Pilosis, post quos fornicati sunt.*

Herodotus says, the People of the Province of *Mendes* placed *Pan* among the Gods, who were before the twelve, that he was represented with a She-Goats Head, and the Legs of an He-Goat, tho' he were believed to be really like unto other Gods: Lastly, that as *Mendes* is a common Name to *Pan*, to an He-Goat and to a Town, there was kept a Sacred He-Goat, upon whose Death, all the Country went into Mourning, as others did upon the Death of *Apis* or *Mnevis*. Again, *Diodorus* says, the *Egyptian* Priests first Consecrated themselves to *Pan*, and that in their Temples they Dedicated the Images of their *Pans* in the form of an He-Goat, pretending the same was no more than to give thanks unto the Gods, for the fertility of nature and of their Nation. *Pan* was much worshipped in *Arcadia*, and *Evander* carried the Celebration of the *Lupercalia* in Honour of him into *Italy*: He was sometimes confounded with *Jupiter*, and his chief Priest called *Flamens Dialis*, as well as the others. I shall not enter upon the Mytho-

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logy of the story of this false Diety *Pan*, it being sufficient that I have shewn his being worshipped as a Diety among the Heathens.

PANATHENÆA, Heathen Festivals Celebrated at *Athens* in Honour of the false Goddess *Minerva*, instituted by *Theseus*; the *Latins* called them *Quinquatria*, which see.

PANES, Satyrs, of whom *Pan* was the chief, and who for that reason were often Confounded with him, which is justified by this Verse of *Ansonius*.

*Capripedes agitat cum lata protervia
Panes.*

They were the Pagan Dieties of the Woods, Fields and Hunting, and often taken for a symbol of Impudence and Unchastity.

PANTHEA, or *Panthean* Statue, a Statue which by the different Marks that accompanied it, represented all the Pagan Dieties, or at least the most considerable of them; this word in *Greek* signifying *All* and *God*; thus the Pagans called the Temples, wherein they adored all the Gods together, where might be seen all their Forms or Pictures: It was too much in imitation of this, that Pope *Boniface III.* Dedicated a *Pantheon* at *Rome* to the Holy Virgin, and all the Saints.

In these Statues of the Heathen Dieties, *Jupiter* was distinguished by a Thunderbolt, *Juno* by a Crown, *Mars* by an Helmet, the Sun by its Beams, the Moon by a Crescent, *Ceres* by a Horn of Plenty, or an Ear of Corn; *Cupid* by a bundle of Arrows, *Mercury* by the beauty of the face, and so the rest of their sham Divinities: These distinguishing Characters were placed above the Statue, or between its Hands, according to the Industry of the Artificer;

Artificer, who therein made the Excellency of his Art to appear. Some there were that represented all the Gods, others all the Goddesses, and some also that represented both together.

PAPAS, A Name which the *Greeks* gave their Christian Priests, and sometimes Patriarchs or Bishops, which signifies *Father*. *Goar* distinguishes between *παπὰ* and *παπῆς*, saying, That the first Title belongs to the Chief-Priests, and the last to the Inferiour Clerks and Clergy. The *Greeks* name the chief of their Priests *Protopapas*: And there is yet to this Day in the Church of *Messina* in *Sicily*, a Title of Honour retained by the Name of *Protopapas*: The Prelate of the Isle of *Corfu* takes also the Name of *Protopapas* upon him.

PARABOLANS, A Name given in the first Age of Christianity to certain Clerks of *Alexandria*, who courageously adventured into the *Hospitals*, to assist and comfort those that were sick and had the Plague: They are mention'd in the the *Theodosian Code*, and their number fix'd; for they have been to the number of five or six hundred; and being all under the Bishop's Jurisdiction, the Governours of *Egypt* were disturbed at it.

PARADICE, in *Greek* signifies a Garden, but is not only originally *Greek*, for the *Jews* used the Word *Pardes* in this same Sense, in the Books of the Old Testament, and it's generally believed they borrowed it from the *Persians*. We call the place where our Progenitor *Adam* was created, *Terrestrial Paradise*; and Divines make use of the Word *Paradise*, when they speak of the Abode of

the Happy: Though we do not find this Word in all *Moses's* Law; because he does not speak in his Books of the State of Souls when separated from the Bodies: Though there is some reason to believe when he speaks of *Isaac* in these Words, *Applustus est populo suo*, he intimated that his Soul was gone to a particular place, to those of his Nation, which was by the *Jews* interpreted to be the Bosom of *Abraham*, the Father of all the Faithful and true Believers; and it is in this Sense that our Saviour's Words to the penitent Thief are to be understood; viz. *This Day shalt thou be with me in Paradise*, *Maldonat* in his Commentary upon the 27th of *Matthew*, is of this opinion, because the Bosom of *Abraham*, as he observes, was the place where the Saints were detained till the Heavens were opened after Christ's Ascension; but this is a Notion not much to be relied on, and so we shall dismiss it.

However, to proceed a little with the Opinions of Divines, they all agree to give the Name of Paradise to the Heaven which is to be the Residence of the Blessed, but differ about the time of their admittance to it. The *Western Churches* holding that the Souls (I here pass over the Notion of Purgatory) enjoy their Happiness now in Heaven, whilst the *Eastern* denies it them, till after the last Judgment; and this they call, in their publick Office for the Dead, *Paradise, Light, Life, Happiness*, the *Bosom of Abraham, Mansion of the Living*, &c. The second Paradise shall be the Eternal Happiness which they shall enjoy in Heaven after the Day of Judgment;

ment; for it is only then, say they, that Jesus Christ will come as Judge, and will say to the Blessed. *Come and enjoy the Kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the World.*

We have before hinted, that the Terrestrial Paradise was that place where *Adam* and *Eve* lived, till they were driven out of it for their Disobedience: But though this has little or no relation to Religion, yet the Fathers and Doctors of the Church, having endeavoured, with great diligence, to find in what part of the World it was, we shall say a few Words concerning it. The most common Opinion is, that it was in *Mesopotamia* towards *Armenia*; and by *Eden* they meant the Country that stretches between the *Euphrates* and the *Tygris*, to the Mountains of *Armenia*. Others make its Situation towards the *Caspian Sea*, among the Mountains of *Armenia*: Some say it was in the Isle of *Ceylon*: Some in *Sumatra*, others in the *Canaries*; a late Author in the cold and barren Country of *Sweden*; nay some would have it on an high Mountain in the Upper Region of the Air: Nor did others stick to remove it to the Surface of the Moon. But to pass by these, and all others that would have it be in Heaven, and give an Allegorical Interpretation of *Moses's* Description of it: Some Modern Authors are of Opinion, That the Terrestrial Paradise was in that Land, since called the *Land of Canaan*, *Palestine* and the *Holy Land*; and they endeavour to confirm their Opinion thus: *Genesar*, which is the Name of a Lake in *Palestine*, and was formerly a Valley, signifies, say they, in the *Hebrew* the

first Garden, or the Garden of a Prince, i. e. of the First Man. *Jordan* is formed of *Joer* and *Eden*, which signifie the River *Eden*, that is the *River of Delight*, so that there is reason to believe, that the Terrestrial Paradise was not far off this Lake. 2. God has always loved and favoured this Country more than any other part of the Earth. Because it was here he established his Temple, and accomplished the Mysteries of our Redemption. 3. *Moses* and the Prophets call several places in *Palestine*, the *Garden of God* or *Terrestrial Paradise*, 4. *Josephus* observes, that the two Pillars on which *Seth*, the Son of *Adam*, had engraven an Abridgment of Arts and Sciences, were found in *Syria*. As to the Rivers of Paradise, they say, that *Jordan* was the great one, which afterwards divided it self into four more, viz. *Pison*, *Gihon*, *Tygris*, and *Euphrates*, but that in time Sand had filled up the ancient Sources: That the *Pison* cross'd *Arabia Deserta*, then the *Happy*, and discharged it self into the *Persian Gulph*; that *Gihon* watered *Arabia Petraea*, and emptied it self into the *Red-Sea*, The *Euphrates* and *Tygris* streamed from *Eden* into *Assyria* and *Chaldea*, whence they discharged themselves into the *Persian Gulph*.

Those that place the Terrestrial Paradise in a Plain on the top of Mount *Taurus*, or towards Mount *Ararat*, say, that the four Rivers mentioned in Scripture have their Sources there; that the *Pison* is now called *Phasis*, and the *Gihon*, *Araxes* or *Araf*, for *Gihon* in the *Chaldee*, and *Arax* in the *Persian Language* signifie a River.

The Learned are divided in their Opinions, as well about the Existence of this Paradise, as about the Place where it was; many are of Opinion ^{the} waters of the deluge quite destroy'd it, others hold that it is still in being, and St. Augustin says, *esse Paradisum illum fides Christiana non dubitat*. Some will have it to be on the high and inaccessible Mountains of Armenia; that Enoch and Elias were carried thither to live out of Men's sight, until the coming of Anti-Christ: Hoffman adds, that 'tis certain, Paradise had a being before Adam, and proves that it did not exist before the Creation of the World, because it was terrestrial, and is described with Fruit-bearing Trees, Rivers, &c. He says, there is reason to believe it was in a very temperate Climate, and thinks that it Contributed to the long Life of Adam and his Successors, until untemperance, the source of distempers, got into the World to shorten our Days; he believes the deluge has quite destroy'd that Paradise, and deprived it of all that rendred it pleasant, therefore concludes it Folly to lose time in the search of it, since it wants its Primitive distinguishing Characters, and laughs at the Jews for thinking Enoch and Elias were carried thither, whereas they were really taken up into the Celestial Paradise, of which our Saviour spoke on the Cross, and which St. Paul saw, viz. the third Heaven.

PARAPHRASE (*Chaldaick*) It's commonly believed, that the first Translation of the Holy Bible was into *Chaldee*, and that the Ignorance of the Jews in the Hebrew Tongue, after the Babylonish Captivity, was the occasion of that

Version, called the *Targum*, or *Chaldee Paraphrase*, which was neither done by one Author, nor at the same time, nor made upon all the Books of the Old Testament. The first upon the *Pentateuch* was done by Onkelos a Proselyte, who lived about the time of our Saviour, if we believe the Hebrew Authors; the second upon the *Pentateuch* is attributed to Jonathan, the Son of Uziel, who is not the same with Theodosion, which in Greek has the same signification as Jonathan in Hebrew, that is, the Gift of God: The third upon the same Book is called the *Targum Hierosolymitanum*, or the *Jerusalem Paraphrase*; the Author of which is not certainly known, nor the time when it was Composed: Schikard believes it to bear the same Date as the *Targum* of *Jerusalem*, which was writ about three hundred Years after the last destruction of the Temple, burnt in the seventieth Year, after our Lord's Incarnation. There is besides these three Paraphrases upon the Books of Moses, another upon the *Psalms*, *Job* and *Proverbs*; there is also one upon the *Canticles*, *Ruth*, *Lamentations*, *Ecclesiastes* and *Esther*, but the Author not known, and we have a *Chaldee Paraphrase* upon *Joshua*, *Judges*, *Kings*, and the Prophets by Jonathan the Son of Uziel, who according to the Jews, had before writ the Paraphrase upon the *Pentateuch*.

Several Learned Men believe, that all the Rabbins say concerning the Antiquity of the *Chaldee Paraphrases* is fabulous, and that the oldest of all the Translations is that of the Septuagint; It's also added, that they are latter than St. Jerom, who having great Ac-

quaintance with the most Learned *Rabbins*, and writ so much upon that subject, could not fail of speaking of the *Chaldee Paraphrases*, if there had been any such in his time; the *Jews* affirm, they were Composed in the time of the Prophets, and they have them in so great Veneration, that they are obliged to read in their Synagogue, a Section of *Onkelos Paraphrase*, when they have read an *Hebrew Text* in the Bible.

PARCÆ, The Name of the three Sisters, *Clotho*, *Lachesis* and *Atropos*, reputed the fatal Sisters or Goddesses of Destinies, an account of whom see under their respective Heads, as also under the word Fate.

PARDON, The *Jews* have a Feast called *Jonhucchippour*, that is, the Day of Pardon or Propitiation, Celebrated on the tenth of the Month *Tisri*, which Answers our *Sept.* appointed in *Leviticus* 23. 27. They cease from all manner of work on this Day, as on the Sabbath, and eat nothing at all thereon. *Rabbi Leo* of *Modena* observes, that the *Jews* formerly used a Ceremony on the Eve of this Feast, which consisted in striking thrice the head of a live Cock, and saying every time, *Thou must be Sacrificed in my stead*, which Ceremony they called *Capara*, Expiation. But it is now neither observed in *Italy*, nor in the *Levant*, as knowing it to be superstitious; they used to eat plentifully on this Eve, because of the Fast next Day; several bathed themselves, and caused thirty nine stripes to be given them, which they called *Mallad*; those that detained any thing unjustly from another, if their Consciences accused them, did then make Resti-

tution; they begged the Pardon of those whom they had offended, and forgave them by whom they had been injured, they bestowed Alms, and generally did all that ought to accompany true Repentance.

After Supper several Clad themselves in white, and in that posture, without any shoes went into the Synagogue, which all that Night shone with Lamps and small Wax Candles, where every Nation, according to its Custom made Divers Prayers and Confessions, in token of their Repentance, which lasted at least three Hours before they went to Bed. Some of them spent the whole Night in the Synagogue, Praying to God and repeating of Psalms: About the break of the next Day, all returned into the Synagogue, drest as before, and stay'd there till Night, saying their Prayers, Psalms and Confessions, without Interruption, and begging of God to Pardon the Sins they had committed; but upon the approach of Night, that is, when the Stars began to appear, there was a Horn sounded, signifying the Feast was at an End. Whereupon departing out of the Synagogue, they Saluted and wished one another long Life and Happiness, blest the New Moon, and returning to their Habitations, broke their Fast and fell to eating.

PARERMENUTÆ, Certain Hereticks in the seventh Century of Christianity, who wrested the Scriptures in defence of their Errors.

PARISHES, Their Origin according to *Anastatius*, is owing to *Fabian* the 21st Pope, who divided *Rome* among the Deacons, which were seven in Number, according to *Luitprandus*. *Dionysius* assigned

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to every Presbyter his Church, Church-Yard and Parish, and instituted Diocesses; after that Pope *Marcellinus* appointed twenty five Diocesses: *Honorius*, Arch-Bishop of *Dover*, a *Roman*, and a Disciple of *Gregory* the Great, was the first instituted Parishes in *Britain*, at least among the English *Saxons*, about this time Converted to the Christian Faith.

PARSIS, A sort of Pagans in the Kingdom of *Cambaye*, or *Guzarate* in the Mainland of *India*, descended from the *Persians*, who retired thither to avoid the Persecutions of the *Mahometans* in the seventh Century. For *Abubeker* having attempted to establish *Mahometanism* in *Persia*, the King finding himself too weak to oppose him, embarked with eighteen thousand Men at the Isle of *Ormuz*, and Landed in *Indostan*, where he was kindly received, and had an Habitation assigned by the Pagan King of *Cambaye*, and there their Posterity still remain: They believe there is but one God, who hath Created and does preserve the World, but that he hath seven Deputies, who take an account of all that passes in the Universe, and execute his orders there for the good of Man, and the Preservation of all things; under these seven Deputies, they place six and twenty others besides, who are inferior to them both in Dignity and Office, and they invoke them all, and adore them almost as Gods; they have no Mosques, nor Temples for the Exercise of their Religion, but for this purpose, set some Chambers in their Houses aside; their Days of Worship are the first, and the twentieth of the Moon. Their Doctors and Priests are not distinguished from the rest of the *Parsis*, but by a

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Woollen Girdle, or one made of Camels hair; they take particular care of fire, as the symbol of the Diety; wherefore they never put out a Candle or Lamp, and suffer their fire never quite to extinguish, and if a House be in danger of being burnt, they do not throw water thereon, but endeavour to stifle the fire with Earth; their Law forbids them to eat of any living Creature, and herein they imitate the *Banians*, but these Prohibitions are not so severe, but that in case of necessity, or of War, they kill Sheep, Goats, Deer, Poultry and Fish, and eat thereof, but they strictly abstain from Beef and Hares flesh, neither do they ever kill Elephants, Camels, or Horses.

PARTICULÆ, Certain pieces of Bread which the Christian *Greeks* offer in Celebrating their Liturgy, in Commemoration of the Saints, alive, or deceased: For besides, the Consecrated Bread, which is offered in remembrance of our Saviour's sufferings, they offer other pieces of Bread in Honour of several Saints.

PARTULA or *Partunda*, a Heathen Goddess which the *Romans* believed had the care of big-bellied Women, ready to lye in; for they had another supposed Goddess called *Natio*, that was to look after new born Children: This Goddess was not the same as *Lucina*, for the former, according to *Tertullian*, governed and looked after the Women, during the term of their being with Child, but *Lucina* brought the Child into the World: However, the superstition of the *Romans* went yet farther, for they likewise made a Goddess to nourish the Infant, called *Memona*, another to preserve him

him from all Accidents, during the ninth Month he should be in the Womb, Named *Nona*; and finally, one to take care of him to the time of his Birth, if so be his Mother should go with him till the tenth Month, and by them called *Decima*.

PASSALORYNCHITES, or *Patallorynchians*, certain Christian Hereticks, the followers of *Montanus*, who made Profession of never speaking, and for that purpose, always held their Fingers upon their Mouths, grounding it upon these words of the 140 Psalm, *Pone domine, Custodiam ori meo, & ostium Circumstantiæ labiis meis*; they began to appear in the second Age, and St. *Jerom* testifies, that even in his time, he found some of them in *Galatia*, as he Travelled to *Ancyra*.

PASTOPHORI, Certain Egyptian Heathen Priests more venerable than the rest, were so called because they wore the mantle of the false Goddess *Venus*, which was called *Πασος* by the *Grecians*; this word also signifies the Bed whereon they used to place the Statue of some Diety, hence *Pastophorium* is sometimes used for the Bed on which the Ruler of the Temple lay, according to *Jerom* upon *Isaiah*, and sometimes for the sacerdotal mantle, and now and then also for the Refectory, where the Priests used to meet together, as may be read in *Esdras*, and the Book of *Maccabees*.

PATAICI DII, These false Dieties according to *Herodotus*, were much like unto the *Dii Cabiri*, or *Samothracian* Gods, at leastwise as to their Figures; for they were like Pigmy Images, with which the *Phenicians* adorned the Prows of their Ships, wherein perhaps

Herodotus was mistaken, for others place them upon the Poops, and *Perseus* says it was the Custom.

Ingentes e puppe dii.

The Origin of this word is clearly *Hebrew* according to *Scaliger*, for *Patach* in that Language is the same as *Insculpere*; *Bochartus* thinks it may be derived from the *Hebrew* word *Batac*, i. e. Consider, for those Idolaters trusted in these false Dieties: Our Famous *Selden* has treated of these Gods, and believes all the *Phenician* Dieties bore the same Name.

PATALENA, A false Goddess of the Ancient Gentiles, mentioned by St. *Augustin* in his fourth Book *de Civitate dei*, which took care of the Corn in the time of its coming out of the blade, the word being derived from *Patere* to open.

PATRIARCH in *Greek*, signifies the first chief Father, by this Name at first they called all the Heads of their Generations, mentioned in the Old Testament from *Adam* to *Jacob*, but this Name has since been conferred on the Bishops of the Churches of *Alexandria*, *Antioch*, *Jerusalem*, *Constantinople*, and *Rome* also: The five Principal Churches at *Rome* are there called Patriarchal, they being those of St. *John de Lateran*, St. *Peter of the Vatican*, St. *Paul without the City*, St. *Mary Major*, St. *Stephen*, and St. *Laurence*.

PATRIARCHATE, or Patriarchship, a Patriarch's See; that there was any such thing in the beginning of Christianity is very much to be doubted; however, some will have it without any solid foundation, that there were three Patriarchal Churches established by St.

St. Peter, in three Parts of the World then known, viz. At *Rome*, *Alexandria* and *Antioch*, every one of which had the limits of their Diocesses, and a certain extent of Provinces, wherein the Pope in quality of Patriarch, and the other two Patriarchs exercised their Jurisdiction, without having any thing to do within the territories of each other. The Patriarch of *Antioch* had the East, that is all *Asia*, as far as the *Indies*; that of *Alexandria* had *Ægypt*, *Pentapolis*, *Libya*, *Marmaria*, and all *Æthiopia* under him; and the Patriarchship of *Rome*, took in all the Provinces of the West, i. e. all *Europe*, and all the Western Provinces of *Africa*, from the *Streights* of *Gibraltar*, as far as *Tripoli*: Besides these, there were three great Diocesses, viz. those of *Pontus*, *Asia Minor* and *Thrace*, that were governed by their Synods, the Heads of which who were called Exarchs, and sometimes also Patriarchs, were him of *Cæsarea* in *Capadocia*, for the *Pontick* Diocess, which contains eleven *Metropolitan* Churches in the Provinces of *Pontus*, *Bithynia*, *Galatia* and *Capadocia*; that of *Ephesus*, for the *Asiatick* Diocess, consisted of almost all the rest of the Provinces in *Asia Minor*, comprehending also the *Islands*; and that of *Perinthus*, or *Heraclea*, for the Diocess of *Thrace*, which had six *Metropolitans*; but these Exarchs were subject to the Patriarchs; that is, those of *Pontus* and *Asia*, to the Patriarch of the East, or of *Antioch*, and that of *Thrace* to the Patriarch of the West, or of *Rome*: When the two new Patriarchs of *Jerusalem* and *Constantinople* were created, they were forced to dismember some of the Provinces from the other Patriar-

chates; to that of *Jerusalem*, they assigned the three *Palestines*, and some other Churches taken from the Patriarchs of *Antioch* and *Alexandria*, to him of *Constantinople* were granted the *Pontick*, *Asiatick* and *Thracian* Diocesses with the barbarous Provinces, viz. those that were out of the bounds of their Empire, as *Russia* and *Muscovy*: But this same, for whose Grandeur the Emperors of *Constantinople* concerned themselves, extended its Jurisdiction a great way beyond its bounds, both in *Asia* and *Europe*, for it took in *Thessaly*, *Macedonia*, *Greece*, *Epirus*, *Illyrium*, and all that belonged to the Eastern Empire, which occasioned some Contest between them and the Popes of *Rome*.

Spanheim says, that Ecclesiastical Patriarchs had their Origin in the Fifth Century, and not from the Institution of St. Peter nor St. Mark, supposititious Decrees of Popes, nor the sixth Canon of the Council of *Nice*, to which *Lanoy*, a learned *Roman Catholick* doth assent. *Socrates* indeed ascribes their Origin to the eleventh Canon of the second *Oecumenical* Council, under *Theodosius* the First, but that it was then only used for the Exarch of the whole Diocess. But Patriarch, according to the Modern acceptation, certainly began in the fifth, and was more noted in the sixth Century, but yet signifying no more, as he affirms, than a Bishop, until by Degrees the Name became restrained in the Eastern Church to the 5 Patriarch Sees of *Rome*, *Constantinople*, *Alexandria*, *Antioch*, and *Jerusalem*, Taking occasion from the 28th Canon of the Council of *Chalcedon*, the power of Patriarch increased in the sixth Age, by the favour of *Justi-*

nian and other Emperors. Hence came the Subordinate Dignities of Syncelli, Proto-Syncelli, Chancellors, &c. as may be seen in the Catalogue of the Ecclesiastical Dignities of *Constantinople*: And in the same Age happen'd that famous Dispute betwixt the Patriarchs of *Rome* and *Constantinople*, about the Primacy; there being till that time an equality of Jurisdiction among the Patriarchs.

PATRIPASSIANS, A sort of Christian Hereticks, who said, That the Father and the Holy Ghost suffered as well as the Son.

PAVENTIA. A certain Heathen Deity of the Ancients, mention'd by *St. Augustin*, which diverted Children's Fears.

S. PAUL, the Apostle, born at *Tharsus*, the Metropolis of *Cilicia*, of Jewish Parents, of the Tribe of *Benjamin*; whence *Tertullian* and others will have that Prophecie of *Jacob* concerning his Son *Benjamin*, *That he shall raven as a Wolf, in the Morning he shall devour the Prey, and at Night shall devour the Spoil*, to be accomplished in our Apostle, who persecuted the Church in the first part of his Life, and fed it during the latter.

As for his two Names of *Saul* and *Paul*; the first is supposed to relate to his Jewish Original, and the latter to the Roman Colony where he was born: Hence he was called *Saul* by the Jews, and *Paul* by the Gentiles: And some think he assumed the Name of *Paul* upon his Conversion: At the same time that he was brought up to good Literature at *Tharsus*, then very famous for it, he was brought up to the Trade of Tent-making, according to the Maxim of the

Jews, *That he who does not teach his Son a Trade learns him to be a Thief*. From *Tharsus* he was by his Parents sent to *Jerusalem*, to study the Law under *Gamaliel*, famed for his Knowledge therein; and at the same time he became a Pharisee, which was the strictest Sect of the Jews, and the greatest haters of Christianity; whence he became engaged in a violent Persecution: but in prosecuting that Design, was miraculously converted in his way to *Damascus*: Which place he left after his Conversion, and is said to have withdrawn into *Arabia*; where he preached for three Years; after which he returned thither, and convinc'd the Jews that Christ was the Messiah. Hereupon the Civil Magistracy being incensed against him, he made his escape over the Wall in a Basket; after which he came for *Jerusalem*, and assay'd to join himself to the Church, who were shy of him upon the account of his former Persecution, untill *Barnabas* acquainted them with the manner of his Conversion.

Here he preached and confuted the *Hellenist Jews*, until a new Persecution arose against him, so that leaving this place, he went for *Cesarea*, and thence for *Tharsus*; from whence he went, not long after, to *Antioch*, where he assisted *Barnabas* in preaching the Gospel. About this time the Land of *Judaea* being afflicted with Famine, he was by the Church of *Antioch* sent with the Contributions to the Christians there; and returning thither, he was by the Direction of the Holy Ghost, sent elsewhere to preach with *Barnabas*. Whereupon they set sail for *Cyprus* and preached to the Jews at *Sala-*

in that Island ; from whence they removed to *Paphos*, where they wrought the Conversion of *Sergius Paulus* the Proconsul, and miraculously struck *Elymas* the Sorcerer blind, that opposed it. After this he went to *Perga* in *Pamphylia*, and took *Titus* with him to *Antioch*, where he taught in the Jews Synagogue ; but the Jews, moved with Envy, raised a Persecution, and expell'd him. They went next to *Iconium*, where he had good success, but was also forced thence by the Jews, and came to *Lystra*, where he cured one that had been a Cripple from his Mother's Womb, by bidding him rise up and walk. Upon this the ignorant Superstitious people would have offered Sacrifice to him and *Barnabas*, as *Jupiter* and *Mercury*. But the Jews having incensed the Rabble, they stoned *Paul* until they thought him dead, then dragged him out of the City ; but reviving on a sudden, he went to *Derbe* ; and confirming the Christians in those places where he had formerly been, he returned to *Antioch* in *Syria*, from whence he was sent by the Church to consult with the Apostles and Elders of *Jerusalem* about Circumcision and the *Mosaic* Ceremonies, and brought back the Decree against them ; and after many other Travels and Sufferings, to be found in the Acts of the Apostles, he was at last sent to *Rome*, having appealed to the Emperor from the Jews. He is said to have converted *Poppæa Sabina*, *Nero's* Concubine. After two Years Custody at *Rome* he had his Liberty, and took a great Round, which some will have to be *Greece* and part of *Asia* ; others, that he preached both in the *East* and

West : He preached, according to *Clements* his Fellow-Labourer, in the utmost Bounds of the *West* ; and, according to *Theoderet*, he not only preached in *Spain* but in *Britain* :

At his return to *Rome* in the Eighth or Ninth of *Nero's* Reign, he was, as some say, together with *Peter*, thrown into Prison. *St. Chrysostom* says, that *Nero* was chiefly enraged against him for the Conversion of his Concubine, who from thenceforward shunned his Company. His Execution being resolved on, according to *Baronius*, he was bound to a Pillar, made to be yet extant in the Church of *St. Mary*, and scourged ; and as led to Execution, converted three of his Guard, who a few Days after also became Martyrs : Being come to the place, which was the *Aqua Salvæ*, three Miles from *Rome*, he was beheaded, and, according to ancient Tradition, a Liquor, more like Milk than Blood, flowed from his Veins, which dashed upon the Executioner, and was the reason of his and others Conversion. He suffer'd in the 68th Year of his Age, and was buried in the *Via Ostiensi*, about three Miles from *Rome*, where *Constantine* the Great raised a stately Church over his Grave.

The Account that is given us of his Temper, Person and Writings, is to this purpose : He was small of Stature, and somewhat stooping, had a fair Complexion, grave Countenance, and a pleasant Look ; but was of an infirm Constitution, and frequently troubled with the Head-ach, which some think to be the *Thorn in the Flesh* mention'd in his Epistles. As to his Parts, he was of a clear and

and solid Judgment, quick Invention, and ready Memory; all which were improved by his Liberal Education, and was of so great Repute, that *Chrysostom* mentions a Dispute between the Christians and the Heathens, wherein the first endeavoured to prove, that *Paul* was more learned than *Plato*; and indeed his Knowledge of Heathen Writers in his Epistles, does so often discover it self so, that he seemed by Providence to be fitted for the Apostle of the *Gentiles*: As for his Temper, he had so much Christian Humility, that none did exceed him, and so Temperate, that he abridg'd himself of lawful Accommodations: He was admirable for his Charity, and inferior to none for Zeal. Nor were his Patience and Industry disproportionable.

As for the Obscurity and Intricacy of his Stile, one says very well, that *St. Jerom's* Censures, that he spake right when he own'd himself rude in Speech, though not in Knowledge, seemed very bold, to say no worse of it; but the Censoriousness of that Father is well known. That *St. Peter* says, there were in his Epistles *Novontativa*, Some things hard to be understood, is not altogether meant of the profoundness of his Sense, nor mysteriousness of his Subject, but in some measure of the manner of expressing himself, frequent *Hebraisms*, and often mentioning Jewish Opinions, together with those frequent *Hyperbata*, which he made use of thro' the Fervour of his Spirit; and many of his native *Cilician* Phrases, which were foreign to the *Greek*. As for the Order of his Epistles, it's here to be observed,

that they are not placed according to the time they were writ, but perhaps according to the Dignity of those to whom they were sent. As for the Subscriptions at the end of his Epistles, they are justly denied to be of any Authority, being wholly wanting in some ancient Copies, different in the *Syriack* and *Arabick* Versions, and sometimes disagreeable with Truth.

There was a Gospel ascribed to this Apostle, which *St. Jerom*, thinks to be that of *St. Luke*, his constant Companion or Attendant; besides which, there is an Epistle to the *Laodiceans*, a Revelation, a Book of Acts and Epistles between him and *Seneca*, fathered upon him: As to the first, *Tertullian* says, it was that to the *Ephesians*, and that *Marcion* the Heretick, changed the Title of it. However, such an Epistle there is still extant, but *Jerom* tells us, it was universally rejected: As for his Revelation grounded upon his Rapture into the third Heaven, it was forged by the *Caineans*, and approved by the *Gnosticks*; those called the Acts are mentioned by *Origen* in *Eusebius*, but their Authority questioned, and as for his Epistles to *Seneca*, they are justly accounted fabulous.

PAVOR, Fear, made a Heathen Diety by the Romans: *Pausanias* in his *Corinthiaca* says, that *Mermerus* and *Pheres*, *Medea's* Children, being stoned by the *Corinthians*, the Ghosts of them did so frighten young Children, that they dyed therewith; upon which the false Oracle commanded, they should offer Sacrifice to them every Year, and set up two Statues, the one to Fear and the other to *Paleness*.

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PAX, *Peace*; a false Diety adored by the Heathens; *Pausanias* says, that the Statue of *Peace* was worshipped at *Athens*, under the form of a Woman, who held *Plutus* the God of Riches by the Hand; the Emperor *Claudius* began to build her a Temple at *Rome*, which was not finished and adorned till *Vespasian* did it, after the Conquest of *Judæa*, and Destruction of *Jerusalem*, as his several Coyns testify, whereon *Peace* is inscribed, holding a lighted Torch in one Hand, wherewith she sets some broken Arms on fire, and in the other an Olive Branch with this device, *Paci orbis terrarum*; she was also represented with an Olive Branch, and *Mercury's Caduceus*; *Titus* his Son and Successor, has given us the Figure of *Peace*, represented like a Goddess, holding a Palm in one Hand, and a Scepter in the other with this Inscription, *Pax Æterna*.

PECOSOS, Priests of the Idolaters of *Guiana* in South America: See *Guiana*.

PECUNIA, A Heathen Diety of the Ancient *Romans*, whom they fancied took care of their Money, and whom they invoked in order to become Rich; they also adored a Diety called by them *Argentinus*, which they said was his Son.

PEACE, A Heathen Diety: See *Pax*.

PELAGIANS, Ancient Christian Hereticks, so denominated from *Pelagius* the *Heresiarch*, of whom *Moreri* gives this Account: He was, says he, a Native of *Great Britain*, and according to some a Scotchman; *Prosper* calls him the *British Serpent*, he took upon him a Monastick Life in his Youth, and lived devoutly for some Years, if we believe *St. Austin* and *Chrysostom*, who wept bitterly when he heard of his

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Apostacy, but *Isidore* of *Pelusium* and *Jerom* do not speak so well of him: Thus far it is certain, that he had a subtil and quick wit, but Vanity and an ill use of Philosophy engaged him in Errors. He maintained that it was not only possible for Men to become impeccable in this Life, but affirmed, that several had actually attained to that degree of Perfection, which is much the same with the Apathy, or Exemption from Passion, which the *Stoicks* attributed to their wise Men; he also denied the Grace of *Jesus Christ*, and held that by the natural Power of our free will, we can work out our salvation and attain to bliss: He was taken notice of for these Opinions in the East about 405. and afterwards at *Rome*, from whence he parted in 410. when that City was Plundered by the *Goths*, and went into *Africa*, accompanied by his Disciple *Celestius*, afterwards into *Palestine* to *Demetrius*, and his Book upon nature shewed plainly what he was: He Cunningly deceived an Assembly of Bishops at *Diospolis* in *Palestine*, by his Equivocal answers and affected submissions, and to be revenged, raised a Prosecution against *St. Jerom*, the first that wrote against him, and having Published four Books of free will, thought to have surprized *St. Augustin*: His tenets were Condemned by the Councils of *Africa*, he was Anathematiz'd by three Popes successively, and the Emperor *Honorius* by a solemn Edict, Banished him and his Adherents out of *Rome*, upon which he retired into his own Countrey.

Besides the above-mentioned Errors, he denyed Original Sin, and held it descended to the Posterity of *Adam*, not by Propagation.

tion, but only by Imitation, from whence he concluded that the Children that dyed unbaptized, would be saved: He also maintained that Grace is given to our Merits, and that they deserve it. The Disciples of this *Herefiarch*, called *Pelagians*, were Condemned in Divers Synods, and at last in the Council of *Ephesus*; their Error which was flattering to nature, took much with a great many, and the Pride of Man who easily believes what Suits its vanity, renewed it several times; *St. Augustin* was chosen by the Council of *Africa* to write against this Error.

M. le Clerk adds, that there is reason to doubt, whether the *Pelagius* mentioned by *Chrysostom* and *Isidore*, be the same with him spoken of here, and advises the Curious to consult the History of the *Pelagians* and *Semi-Pelagians*; *Pelagius* according to *Spanheim*, *Usher* and *Others*, was a Welchman Born, and his true Name was *Morgan*, and the former agrees with *Augustin*, that he was a Man of a most acute wit, great Eloquence, and well esteemed of for his Piety by many; that this Heresie sprung up in the beginning of the fifth Century, and that he Patronized his Errors with the Authority of *Origen*, *Ruffinus*, and his own Philosophy; his Principal Opinions, besides the above-mentioned were, that *Adam* was Mortal by Nature and Condition before his fall, that Sin was not the cause of Death, that our Being, as Men, is from God, but our Just Being is from our selves, that there were three ways of Salvation, viz. by the Law of Nature, Law of *Moses*, and Law of Christ; that the works of the Heathen were truly good and acceptable to God, tho' per-

formed without the Assistance of Grace. He confounded Grace with the Power of Nature, and extended it to the revealed Will of God, with a certain inward Illumination of mind, which was given for a help: but he was altogether ignorant of the necessity of preventing, Efficacious and Co-operating Grace; for the moving our Hearts and Wills, he held that Peace and Justification proceeded from our own Merits; according as we made good use of our free Wills, and endeavoured to keep the Commandments of God, and that it was not given thro' meer Grace, or by Faith in Jesus Christ; that the cause of Predestination to Grace and Glory, was the foresight of good works, and perservance in them from a right use of free will, the Grace of Apostleship excepted; that there was no Predestination to Death, but that God had only the fore-knowledge of Sins.

His other Opinions of less Note were, that Oaths were unlawful, and that Rich Men could not be saved.

PENATES, Those Heathen Deities that the Ancients considered as their Household Gods, the Name being given to the little Statues they had in their Houses, to which they very often offered Sacrifices consisting of Wine and Incense: See *Lares*.

PENITENTIAL, A Collection of Christian Canons that appointed the time and manner of Penance to be regularly imposed, for every sin, and forms of Prayer that were to be used, for the receiving of those who entred into Penance, and reconciling Penitents by solemn Absolution; a method chiefly introduced in the time of the degeneracy of the Church. **PENI-**

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PENITENTS, The Name of at least supposedly some devout Persons, who formed several fraternities especially in *Italy*, and made profession of doing publick Penance at certain times in the Year: It's said, this Custom was established in 1260. by a Hermit, who began to Preach in the City of *Perugia* in *Italy*, that the Inhabitants should be Buryed under the Ruines of their Houses, which should fall down upon them, if they appeased not the wrath of God by a sudden Repentance; his Auditors according to the Example of the *Ninevites*, Cloathed themselves in Sack-Cloath, and with whips in their Hands went in procession along the Streets, flashing their Shoulders in order to expiate their Sins.

This sort of Penance was afterwards practised in other Countries, and particularly in *Hungary*, during a raging Pestilence all over the Kingdom; but a little while after it made way for a dangerous Sect called the *Flagellans*, who ran together in great Companies, Naked down to the waste, and lashed themselves with Whips, till the Blood gushed out, and declared that this new Baptism of Blood (for so they thought fit to term it) blotted out all their Sins, even those that should afterwards be committed.

This strange sort of superstition was abolished, but at the same time another was approved, to wit, the fraternities of Penitents of different Colours, which are still to be seen in *Italy*, in the Pope's Dominions, the Country of *Avignon*, *Langue-doc* and elsewhere, who make their processions, but more particularly on Holy *Thursdays*, clad in Sack-Cloath with a Whip tyed to their waists, which yet

they make no use of but for the Ceremonies sake.

PENTATEUCH, That is, five Volumes, being the Name given by the *Greeks* to the five Books of *Moses*.

PENTECOST, A Religious Festival Celebrated by the *Jews* fifty Days after the Passover, pursuant to the Divine Command. which Day among the Christians is made to be that of the descent of the Holy Ghost upon the Apostles: It's believed the House where the Holy Spirit descended upon them, was that of *Mary*, the Mother of *Mark* the Disciple, and the Companion of *Paul* and *Barnabas*: It was the place where our blessed Saviour kept his last Passover, and instituted the Lords Supper, where he appear'd to his Disciples on the Day of his Resurrection, and again eight Days after, and where *Peter* came to find the Faithful assembled together, after his going out of the Prison, from which the Angel brought him.

As for the Jewish Pentecost, those People call it also the Feast of Weeks, because kept at the seven Weeks end after *Easter*, which besides is in Scripture called the Day of first Fruits, for on that Day they offered their first Fruits in the Temple: It's moreover termed the Day of Harvest, for that they then began to cut down their Corn. The *Jews* Celebrate this Feast for two Days, as that of the Passover, that is, they do no sort of work or business for that time.

Rabbi Leo of *Modena* says, that the Law was given them on that Day upon Mount *Sinai*, wherefore they are wont to garnish their Synagogues and Bed-Chambers, as also their Houses with Roses and Flowers, made up into flowers and

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bundles : If with Father *Simon*, we compare the Christian Pentecost with the Jewish, we may observe that as God gave unto the Children of *Israel* the Law upon Mount *Sinai*, which appeared all on fire upon this Day ; so the Apostles received the new or Evangelical Law upon the same Day, being replenished with the Holy Ghost, whose descent upon them was accompanied with a great Noise.

PENTECOSTARION, A Name given by the Christian *Greeks*, to one of their Ecclesiastical Books that contains the Office of the Church, from *Easter* Day till the eighth Day after *Pentecoste*, which is by them called the Sunday of All-Saints ; and this Book has been thus denominated by reason of the Pentecost.

PEPUZIANs, A sort of Christian Hereticks that sprung from the *Montanists*, whose Errors they followed ; they were thus denominated from a Town in *Phrygia*, called *Pepuza*, which they Named *Jerusalem*, whither they invited all Men to present themselves ; the Women officiated as Bishops and Priests among them, they appear'd in the second Age.

PERCUNUS, A Heathen Divinity of the Ancient Inhabitants of *Prussia*, in Honour of whom they always superstitiously kept a fire of Oak ; which if the Priest, who had the Care of that fire, suffered to go out thro' his negligence, he was to be punished with Death. These Idolatrous People believed that when it thundred, it was their Grand Priest called *Krive*, entertaining himself with their God *Percunus* ; and fixed in this persuasion, they fell down to the Ground to adore that false Diety, asking of him seasonable weather

to make their Ground Fruitful.

PERDOITE, Another false Diety of the Ancient Inhabitants of *Prussia*, for whom the Mariners and Fishermen had a particular Veneration, because they believed that he presided over the Sea ; he was represented by them as an Angel of a vast bigness standing upon the waters, and turning the Winds which way he pleased ; before they went a Fishing, they were wont to offer Sacrifices of Fish to him, covering their Tables with the same, and eating the remains of what was offered, drinking withal very liberally ; after which the Priest, whom they had called *Sigonetta*, took observation of the wounds, and predicted to them the Day and Place where they should have good Fishing.

PERGUBRIES, The Name of a third false Diety among the Ancient Inhabitants of *Prussia*, and *Lithuania*, who, according to their belief, took Care of the Fruits of the Earth ; these Idolaters made a Feast in Honour of him, on the 22d *March*, and met together in a House where they had prepared a Horn or two of Beer ; there the Sacrificer having Sung Hymns in the Praise of that God, and filled a bowl full of this Liquor, took it in his Teeth, drunk it, and threw the Cup over his Head, without touching it with his Hands, which he repeated several times in Honour of other Dieties whom he invoked by their Names, praying for a good Harvest and Fruit in abundance : All the Company did the same, Singing the Prailes of their God *Pergubrios*, and spending the rest of the Day in Feasting and Mirth.

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PERSECUTIONS of the Church, A Name given to distinct Times, during which the Professors of Christianity have been harassed and tormented by the Heathen Emperors, or Hereticks supported by the power of the Civil Magistrate: They were usually (if you take both the one and the other) reckoned twenty, to which *Riccoli* has added two more, *viz.* the first and the sixteenth, in the following Order.

The first Persecution was raised at *Jerusalem* against *Stephen* and other young Christians, at the Instigation of *Saul*, named afterwards *Paul*, and was continued by *Agrippa* against *James* and *Peter*, and the rest mentioned in the 12th of the Acts of the Apostles.

Second under *Nero*, began in the 10th of his Empire, and the fifty fourth after the Nativity of our blessed Saviour, occasioned by the burning of the City of *Rome*, of which the Christians were falsely accused: This Persecution continued till the death of that Emperor, which happen'd *An. Dom. 68.*

Third under the Emperor *Domitian*, began in the ninth of his Reign, and the ninetieth of our blessed Lord, and was appointed by a very rigorous Edict in 95: the same lasting till the death of that Emperor, which happen'd in *Sept. 96.*

Fourth under *Trajan*, began the first Year of his Reign, and the ninety seventh of the Christian Calculation. This Emperor put forth no Edict against the Christians, but a general Ordinance, whereby he forbid all sorts of Assemblies and Societies, from which the Governours of the Provinces took occasion to persecute

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the poor Christians who assembled in their Oratories: But at last *Tiberius*, Governour of *Palestine*, having writ to that Emperor, that he had not Executioners enough to put to death all the Christians that were there; *Trajan*, according to *Suidas*, stopt the Persecution in the Year 116.

Fifth Persecution was under the next Emperor, *Adrian*; who in like manner published no Edict against the Christians; but he gave Orders that all the Governours of Provinces should put the Laws in Execution, which forbid new Religions: Eight Years after which *Quadratus* Bishop of *Athens*, and *Aristides* a Christian Philosopher, having presented an Apology to that good Emperor, he commanded them to cease persecuting of the Christians; though the Persecution was not so effectually stopt till 124; and when that Emperor was returned to *Rome* in 136, he caused some Martyrs to be put to death there.

Sixth under the Emperor *Antoninus Pius* began in the Year 138, though that Emperor gave out no Edict against the Christians, yet his Officers put many of them to death, especially after that *Antoninus* forbid them to read the *Sybil's* Verses, and the Books of the Prophets, because that the reading of them turned a great many *Pagans* from worshipping of false Gods. In the Year 158, this Emperor seeing all the *Roman* Empire afflicted with Famine, Fire, Inundations and Earthquakes, was desirous to appease the Gods, amongst the rest the true God of the Christians, which obliged him to cease the Persecution. However in 156, Pope *Higinus* was martyred.

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Seventh Persecution happen'd under the best of all the *Roman* Emperors, *Marcus Aurelius*, and began in the Year 161, and ended in 174, after the Victory won by that Emperor over the *Quadi* and *Marcomanni*, by the Valour and Prayers of the Christian Legion; called afterwards the *Thundering Legion*: Then he, by an Edict, prohibited that any Christian should be punished in Matters that concerned Religion, and ordered that all their Accusers should be burnt: However *Soter* was martyred in 177, three Years before that Great Emperour's Death.

The Christian Church enjoy'd Peace under the Emperors *Commodus*, *Pertinax* and *Didius Julianus*, that is, from 180 to 193: For *Commodus* had a respect for *Martia*, who favour'd the Christians, and the other two Emperors would not revoke the Edict of *Marcus Aurelius*.

Eighth Persecution began under the Emperor *Severus*, in the Year 199. The Christians lived in peace during the first six Years of his Reign; but the Crimes of the *Jews* and *Gnosticks*, which were imputed all to the poor Christians, caused a new Persecution, which lasted till 211, when the Emperor died.

The Church enjoy'd Peace under the Emperors *Caracalla* and *Geta*: *Macrinus* succeeded them in 217. and in his Reign *Asclepiades*, Bishop of *Antioch*, was put to death. *Heliogabalus* got the Empire next in 218, in whose Reign some Infidels caused Pope *Zephyrinus* to be put to death: *Alexander Severus*, who ascended the Imperial Throne in 222, favoured the Christians; though

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some without his Knowledge suffered.

Ninth under *Maximinus*, began in 235; That Emperor ordering only by an Edict, that the Prelates or Ministers of the Church should be severely punished as the Authors of the new Doctrine; but the Heathen Governours of the Provinces extended their Cruelty to others as well as to them.

The Church enjoyed Peace under the Emperors *Gordianus* and *Philip*.

Tenth Persecution was appointed in 249 by the Emperor *Decius*, and ceased at his death in 251.

The Emperors *Gallus* and *Volusianus* did not persecute the Christians in the beginning of their Reigns; but in 253 they condemned them to suffer cruel Punishments, pursuant to the Edict of *Decius* their Predecessor.

Eleventh Persecution fell out under the Reigns of *Valerian* and *Galienus*, and began in 237; for these Emperors having succeeded *Gallus* and *Volusianus* in the Year 154, immediately let the Christians alone; and it was unknown to them that *Lucius* was martyred for the Faith in 255. But in the Year 257 they published an Edict for the taking off all such as professed Christianity, or rather renewed that of *Decius*. This Persecution lasted three Years and an half; that is, till the Year 275.

The Church had some Relaxation under the Emperors *Tacitus*, *Probus* and *Carus*, that is, from 275, till 282. when *Numerianus* being admitted to a share in the Sovereign Power, Enacted some Ordinances against the Christians.

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13th, Persecution was set on Foot by *Dioclesian* and *Maximinian*, Anno 303. being the 19th of their Reign, but abdicating the Empire in 304. in favour of *Galerius* and *Constantius Chlorus*, that Persecution continued under the Name of *Dioclesian* till 310, when *Galerius* put a stop to it, after his Death *Maximinus* revived it in 312. and *Licinius* continued it with much Cruelty, from 316 till 325. that the Emperor *Constantine* restored Peace to the Church: The Emperor *Constans*, Son to *Constantine* the Great, favoured the *Arrians* way much from the Year 337. that he succeeded his Father, in which was a kind of Persecution, which lasted till 361.

14th, Was ordered by *Sapor I.* King of *Persia*, in the Year 343. which was the 34th of his Reign; this Prince suffering himself to be imposed upon by the *Magi* and the *Jews*, who accused the Christians of being disaffected to his Government in favour of the *Romans*, commanded his Officers to put all the Christians to Death that were in his Kingdom, which according to *Sozomen*, were about 16000 Men.

15th, Persecution lasted one Year in the Reign of *Julian* the Apostate, 'tis true, he put forth no Edict against the Christians, but he did all he could to support the Heresies, and forbad the Children of Christians to be taught in Heathen Schools, exposed Christianity in his Letters to his Governors, Cashiered the Christians out of Places of Profit, and Trust; Degraded them in their Quality, and Published several severe Edicts against them.

16th, Persecution was Authorized by the Emperor *Valens*, an

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Arrian from the Year 366, till 378.

17th, Was raised by *Isdegergus* King of *Persia* in 420. that Prince had tolerated the Exercise of the Christian Religion in his Dominions, but the Bishop of *Marutha* having pulled down a Temple dedicated to fire, which was adored by the *Persians* as a Diety, and refusing to build it, was Condemned to Death by the King's order, who endeavoured afterwards to root out all the Christians; this Persecution lasted from 420 till 450. which was the ninth Year of the Reign of *Varanes V.*

18th, Persecution was raised against the Orthodox in the Reign of *Genferic*, King of the *Vandals* an *Arrian*, and lasted from 437. until the Year 476.

19th, Happened in the Reign of *Huneric* King of the *Vandals*, and began in 483. and lasted till that Kings Death in 484.

20th, Was under *Gundabond*, *Huneric's* Successor in 484. and left them at Peace for ten Years, but in 494. he Exercised great Cruelties upon them.

21st, Under *Thrasabond* the Brother and Successor of *Gundabond*, did not begin till the Year 504. for till then the King endeavoured only to seduce the Orthodox by Presents, and was content to forbid the Electing of new Bishops in the room of those Deceased.

Hilderic, the Son of *Huneric*, and Grandson by the Mother's side to the Emperor *Valentinian*, recalled the Bishops and set the Churches open in the Year 622. and this put an end to the four *Vandalick* Persecutions.

22d, Persecution was stirred up by the *Arrians* in *Spain*, beginning under *Leogigildus*, King of the

Goths in 584. and ended under *Reccardus* in 586.

23d. Persecution under *Cosroes II.* King of *Persia*, it began in 607. and lasted twenty Years, that is till 627. when that Prince having been defeated by *Heraclius*, he was slain by his own Son *Syroes*.

Riccioli makes the 24th Persecution to be in *Japan*, begun in 1587. but if we should here set down the Popish Persecutions, both before and since the Reformation, we should scarce find room in such a Volume.

PESSINUNCIA : See *Rhea*.

S. Peter, the Apostle of Christ, was Born at *Bethsaida*, a City of *Galilee*; the Scripture account of him is very well known, but the latter part of his Life and Actions is involved with uncertainties : Doctor *Pearson* proves he was at *Rome* against Doctor *Barrow*, *Salmasius*, &c. As for the time of his Birth, some have thought him ten Years elder than Christ, *Stengal* says seventeen, and it's also Controverted whether *Andrew* or he were the eldest Brother, *Baronius* and other Popish Writers say, that he Preach'd at *Byzantium*, and the adjacent Country, and *Orosius* is of Opinion, that he came to *Rome* about the second Year of the Emperor *Claudius*, and brought Prosperity to the City along with him; that at his first coming to *Rome* he disposed of himself among the *Jews*, on the other side of the *Tiber*, but when he began to Preach to the Gentiles, he Lodged with *Prudens* a Senator, newly Converted : Here it was he met with *Philo* the *Jew*, who came on Embassy in behalf of his Countrymen in *Alexandria*, and Contracted an intimate Acquaintance with him; and here it was, says

the same Author, that he wrote his first Epistle, and afterwards sent his Disciples into the Western Parts of the World : Several Years after this, the Emperor *Claudius* Banished the *Jews* out of *Rome*, upon the Account of some seditions, and at that time, say they, *St. Peter* returned to *Jerusalem*; but 'tis uncertain how he disposed of himself many Years after : Some will have it that he Travelled into *Africa*, and others that he Preached the Gospel in the Isle of *Britain*, and they will have it, that towards the latter end of *Nero's* Reign he returned to *Rome*, where he found the People extremely hardened against Christianity, by the magical Arts of *Simon Magus*, who had obtained so great a Veneration, not only from the Vulgar, but the Emperors themselves, that *Justin Martyr* assures us, he was Honoured as a Diety, and had a Statue erected to him in *Insula Tiberina*, with this Inscription, *Simoni Deo Sancto*; but the same is Controverted by Dr. *Hannond* and some late Antiquaries : But however it were in reality, they assert that *St. Peter* being Famed for raising the Dead, a Kinsman of the Emperor being lately Deceased, his Friends sent for *Peter* to raise him to Life; and *Simon Magus* his Friends in like manner prevailing, that he should be sent for on the same Account, he propounded to *Peter*, that if he raised the Gentleman to Life, he, that is *Peter*, who had injuriously provoked the great Power of God, as he called himself, should lose his Life, and that if *Peter* prevailed, he should submit to the same fate; which terms they said was accepted by *Peter*, and *Simon* beginning his Charms, the Gentleman seemed to move his Hand, at which the People

People began to fall upon *Peter*, who begging their Patience, he told them it was but a Cheat, and if *Simon* was taken from the Bed-side, it would quickly appear to be so; then calling upon God, commanded the Gentleman in the Name of *Jesus* to rise, which he did accordingly. Whereupon the People fell upon the *Magitian* with an Intention to stone him, but *Peter* begged his Life; the *Magitian* vexed at this defeat, mustered up his Confidence, Summoned the People, and told them, he was offended at the *Galileans*, whose Protector he had been; and therefore set them a Day when he promised they should see him fly up into Heaven: At the time appointed, he went up to the Mount of the *Capitol*, and throwing himself from the Rock, began his flight, which filled the People with wonder and veneration, affirming, that this must be the Power of God, and not of Man: *Peter* in the mean time prayed to God to undeceive the People, and immediately *Simon Magus* his Wings, which he had made himself, began to fail, so that he fell to the Ground, and being miserably bruised and wounded, was carried into a Neighbouring Village and Dyed soon after. This is the substance of the Story, as related by *Hegeſippus*; tho' Authors vary as to the time of this Contest, some placing it in the Reign of *Claudius*, but most in that of *Nero*; the wretched end of this *Magitian*, it's said, hastned the Apostles end, for *Nero*, much troubled at the loss of his favourite, resolved upon his Ruine.

In the mean time the Christians at *Rome*, are said to have prevailed with *Peter* to attempt his escape,

which he effected, but according to some Ecclesiastical Writers, being reprehended by a Vision of our Saviour, he returned and surrendered himself into the Hands of his Keepers; the Day of Execution being come, *St. Peter*, as they say, taking his leave of *St. Paul*, and being led to the top of the *Vatican Mount*, was Crucified with his Head downwards, according to his own desire, as thinking himself unworthy to be Crucified in the same posture wherein his Lord had suffered.

As to *St. Peter's* Person, Temper and Writings, Authors give the following Account, that he was slender and of a middle size, his Complexion very Pale, and his Hair curled and thick, but short, his Eyes black, but specked with red: As for his temper, he was naturally fervent and eager, which was common to the *Galileans*; his humility and lowliness of mind was singular, and his Love and Zeal for his Master admirable, his Courage was undaunted, and his diligence in his Apostleship very wonderful. As for his Writings, his first Epistle is said to have been writ in the 44th Year of our Lord, tho' some are of a contrary Opinion, and Authors also differ as to the place where: Some will have it to be at *Rome*, and others at *Babylon*; but whether *Babylon* in *Egypt*, *Babylon* the Metropolis of *Assyria*, *Jerusalem* or *Rome* figuratively so called, is Controverted; the second Epistle according to *Eusebius*, was not for some Ages, received as Canonical, and at this day is not accounted such by the *Syriack Church*; the grand objection consists in the difference of its Style from the first, tho' this is easily answered in that, it might be occasioned by the difference of

his Circumstances or Temper at the time of writing, as there is a vast difference between the Prophecy and Lamentations of *Jeremiah*. There are others who will have it to be writ by *Simeon*, and that the Word *Peter* was inserted in the Title by another Hand; but it's answered, It bears both his Names in the Front and that passage *Chap. 1. v. 16, 17, 18.* cannot well relate to any other but himself; and *Jude, v. 17 and 18,* does plainly quote the Words of the second and third Verses of the third Chapter of his Epistle.

There were other supposititious Writings ascribed to him, as the Book called his *Acts*, mentioned and rejected by *Origen* and *Eusebius*: His *Gospel*, and his Book stiled, his *Preaching, Judgment and Revelation* were also rejected as spurious: That he had a Wife is clear from Scripture; and that they cohabited after his being called to the Apostleship, is evident from *1 Cor, 9. 5.* Nay *Clemens Alexandrinus* says, that his Wife suffered Martyrdom. and was encouraged by himself to suffer patiently, he being exceedingly rejoiced that she was called to so great an Honour.

PHARISEES, was a Sect that rose in *Judea* a long time before the Birth of our Saviour; and *St. Jerom*, who speaks hereof in his Relation of the *Nazarenes*, says, that the Authors of it were *Sammai* and *Hillel*. Those of this Sect fasted the second and fifth Day of the Week; they put Thorns at the bottom of their Robes, that they might prick their Legs as they went along; they lay upon Boards covered with Flint-stones, and tied thick Cords

about their Waists; though these Mortifications were neither kept by all, nor always: They paid Tythes as the Law required, and gave the thirtieth and fiftieth part of their Fruits; adding voluntary Sacrifices to those that were enjoined, and appearing very exact in the performance of their Vows.

But Pride marred all their Actions, because they had no other Care nor End, than to gain the Affections of the people, and the Reputation of being Saints. And in this manner they grew so potent, that the last Kings of the *Jews* were afraid to suppress them, and were frequently necessitated to make use of them for their own Support: They coveted the chief Seats in Feasts and Assemblies, that they might pass for infallible Masters, and the sincerest Doctors of the Law, which they had abominably corrupted by their Traditions.

As to the Doctrine they professed, they attributed the Event of all things to Destiny, though they endeavour'd to make the Liberty of the Actions of Man's Will to accord therewith: They were so far *Pythagoreans*, as to believe the Transmigration of the Soul, especially those of people of Vertue, esteeming the rest to be always in Torments. In Judicial Astrology they followed all the Opinions of the *Gentiles*, and *St. Epiphanius* adds, that they had translated the *Greek* Names of this Art, which signified the Stars and Signs of the *Zodiack* into *Hebrew* Names.

PHOTINIANS or *Sutinians*, Hereticks, so denominated from *Photinus*, Bishop of *Sirmich*, a person of excellent Accomplishments,

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ments. and who in the first Years of his Administration of that See, appeared very regular; but changing suddenly after he had taught the people the Knowledge of the true God, proposed to them strange Gods; that is, attempted to corrupt them, says *Lirinenfis*, by his detestable Opinions and Doctrine; for not contenting himself to renew the Errors of *Sabelius*, *Paulus Samosatenus*, *Cerinthius* and *Ebion*, he added to their Impieties, that Jesus Christ was not only meer Man, but began to be the *Christ* when the Holy Ghost descended upon him in *Jordan*.

PICARDS, The Name of a Christian Sect, who improved the Mistakes of the *Adamites* to the Extravagance of going naked: They sprung up in the beginning of the fifteenth Century, and were denominated from one *Picard*, who set it a foot; he ordered all his Proselytes to go naked, called himself the *Son of God*, and pretended he was sent into the World, as a new *Adam*, by his Father, to refresh the Notion, and restore the practise of the Law of Nature, which, he said, consisted principally in two things, the Community of Women, and going stark naked; And one of the principal Tenets of this people was, that their Party were the only free people in Nature, all other Men being Slaves, especially those who wore any Cloaths upon the score of Modesty.

PIETY, *Pietas*, A Goddess of the *Pagans*, who was adored and presided over the Worship that was paid unto other Godheads: She also presided over the respectful Care and Tenderness Children owed to their Parents, and over

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that Affection Parents ought reciprocally to have for their Children. She was represented after different manners by the *Romans*, and by some she has been set out holding her Children in her Arms, with a Stork that carries her Parents about in their old Age, and feeds them, which is the Symbol of Piety: Nay there was a Temple consecrated to her at *Rome* in the Consulship of *Quintus* and *Attilius*, wherein was set up that Woman's Picture so famous for her Piety in sustaining her Mother in Prison with the Milk of her Breasts, it being built upon the place where she had been imprisoned, for a perpetual Memorial of it.

PLAYS were a sort of Solemnity among the Heathen *Romans* in Honour of their false Divinities, such as *Apollo*, *Jupiter*, *Ceres*, *Flora*, *Mars*, *Cybele*, &c.

PLUTO, made by *Sanchoniathon* to be the Son of *Saturn* and *Rhea*, made a Deity by the *Pagans* after his Death, was represented in a Chariot drawn by four black Horses, with a Bunch of Keys in his Hand, intimating that the Key of Death was in his Custody, and that the Horses ran through the four Ages of Men. It's thought that *Pluto* was the first that invented Funeral Solemnities for the Dead; which gave the Ignorant occasion to say, that he was the God of Hell. Others have confounded him with *Plutus* the God of Riches. No Temple was erected to him that I meet with.

PLUTUS, The *Pagan* Deity of Riches. *Aristophanes* says, That having at first a good Eye-sight he stuck to no body, but to the Just: But *Jupiter* taking his Sight from him, Riches afterwards fell indifferently

ferently to the share of the Good and the Bad : They formed a Design of recovering *Plutus* his Sight ; but *Penia* and *Poverty* opposed it, and made it appear, that *Poverty* was the Mistress of Arts, Sciences and Vertues, which would be in danger of being lost, if all Men were rich : They gave her no Credit, or seemed not to believe her ; so that *Plutus* recover'd his Sight in *Æsculapius* his Temple ; and from thence forward, continues our Comick Author, the Temples and Altars of other Gods, and those of *Jupiter* himself, were abandoned ; every body sacrificing to no other but to God *Plutus*.

POLEMIANS, Certain Hereticks, and the Followers of *Polemius* about 373 : He deduced his Errors from the Books of *Apollinaris* ; the principal whereof was, the mixture, which he said, there had been between the *Word* and the *Flesh*. These Hereticks were confounded with the *Apollinarians*.

POLLENTIA ; The Heathen Goddess of Power, worshipped by the *Romans*.

POLLUX. See *Castor*.

POLYGAMISTS ; Christian Hereticks, who said it was lawful for a Man to have as many Wives as he pleased. Their Patron was *Bernardine Ochimus*, who lived in the sixteenth Century.

POLYGLOTTE. See *Bible*.

POLYMYMNIA, One of the Nine Muses, and a Pagan Divinity, feigned to take care of History : Others say, that she presided over Rhetorick ; and for that reason it is that she has been pictured with a Crown of Pearls, a White Robe, and her Right-hand moving, as if she harangu'd, and holding in her

Left-hand a Scrowl of Paper, where was writ the Word *Swadere*. See *Muses*.

POMONA, Feign'd by the ancient *Pagans* to be the Goddess of Gardens and of Fruits ; but I know of no Temple she had, or what kind of Adoration they paid to her.

PONTIFICES ROMANI, *Roman* Pontiffs: They were those who had the charge of all things appertaining to the Worship of the Gods, and the Ceremonies of Sacrifices. *Numa* instituted four at first, who were of the *Patrician* Order ; but in the Year of *Rome* 454 there were eight created, four out of the *Patrician*, and as many of the *Plebeian* Families : This number in 673 was increased by *Sylla* the Dictator, who created seven more ; but the first eight retained the Name of *Great Pontiffs*, and the seven new ones, of the *Lesser*, who nevertheless made but one Colledge.

After *Numa's* time, this Colledge made choice of Members to fill up the vacant places : But about the Year 654, it was ordered that the people should choose them in their Assemblies. When *Sylla* became Dictator he abrogated that Law ; but *Cicero* in his Consulship restored it. At last the Emperor *Augustus* having for sometime allow'd the Colledge of *Pontiffs* to choose such as they thought capable, assumed afterwards that power to himself, as also to create *Pontiffs* and all sorts of Priests. This Dignity of the *Pontiffs* was so great, that they were not obliged to give any manner of Account of their Actions, and (as already hinted) were Judges of all Matters relating to the Worship of the Gods, and of the Sacrifices

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crifices, making new Laws, if they saw it convenient. To them belonged the Examination of the Magistrates, who had the care of Sacred Things, of the Priests and all the Officers that belonged to the Sacrifices.

He that Presided in the Colledge, was called *Pontifex Maximus*, and was chosen by the People in the *Comitia tributa*, being a dignity that at first was bestowed upon none but *Patricians*, but in time the *Plebeians* were raised to this dignity, till the Days of *Julius Caesar*, who having been created *Pontifex Maximus*, had *Lepidus* for his Successor, and then *Augustus*, after which all the Emperors took this Title upon them; Nay, *Constantine* and some of his Successors, continued it, tho' they were Christians, and hated Paganism, till the brave Emperor *Theodosius* entirely abolished this Colledge: This Name of *Pontifex* and *Pontifex Maximus*, was afterwards given to Christian Bishops, but the Popes have since usurped it, and herein, as well as in many other things, have too much espoused Pagan Customs, and thereby Adulterated Christianity.

POPE, in *Greek*, signifies Father, and is a Name that was Anciently given to all Bishops, as appears by the Epistles of *St. Jerom* and *St. Augustin*, &c. but about the End of the XI. Century, *Gregory VII.* in a Council held at *Rome*, ordered the Name of Pope should peculiarly belong to the Bishop of *Rome*. As to what regards his Election, you may see the word Cardinal.

POPULONIA, A Heathen Goddess worshipped by the Ancient *Romans*, who implored her help to secure their Country, from Plunder, Hail, Inundations, Insects, &c. as *St. Augustin* informs us.

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PORTUMNUS, A Sea-Diety of the Heathens called *Melicertus* and *Palæmon* by the *Greeks*, and looked upon as presiding over Ports; but whether any particular adoration was paid him, is not, any where that I can meet with, Recorded.

POSTVORTA, A Goddess adored by the *Pagans*, and said to foresee what was to come to pass, and to prevent the Evil that might happen: *Antevorta* was another, which had, according to their sentiments, Power over what was past, and which they invoked to be rid of the Evils they had already felt; these two Goddesses being regarded by them as the Councillors of Providence: The Women in their Lying in, joyned these two also to the rest of their Dieties; *Antevorta* made the Child come forth aright, that is, with his head foremost, and the other put him out when his Feet appeared first: *Postvorta* allay'd the pains of Child-bearing, and the other supposed the Divinity quickly cured Women after Lying in.

POTITIANS and *Pinarians*, the Names of two Families in *Rome* imploy'd in Sacrifices: It's said, that the first drank only the Liquor, which they presented to the Gods, and did besides eat all the Victims that were Sacrificed, leaving no share to the *Pinarians*, which word seems to be derived from *πεινᾶν* to be Hungry, or not to Eat.

POTNIADES, Certain Heathen Goddesses supposed to be inspired with Rage and Fury, and to whom were Sacrificed Pigs for the appeasing them, as believing those Goddesses came to eat those Victims left upon the Altar, when Sacrificed.

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PRAXIDICA, A Heathen Goddess, whose Care was according to their sentiments, to set the just bounds and measures, within which Men ought to contain themselves in their Actions or Discourses; they never made a whole Statue to this Goddess, but only represented her by the Head to shew perhaps that it is the Head, and a good understanding that determines the limits of every thing, and they also Sacrificed to her nothing but the Heads of the Victims: Some Authors make this false Goddess to be the Mother of *Homonoëa* and *Arete*, that is of Concord and Vertue, and *Hesychius* says, that *Mene-laüs* after his return from *Troy*, Consecrated a Temple to this Goddess under the single Name of *Praxidica*: It's observed that all her Temples were uncovered, to denote, she deduced her Origin from Heaven, as the only Spring of Wisdom.

PRE-ADAMITES, Signifies either Men whom some imagine to have lived before the Creation of *Adam*, or those who follow the Opinion of an Anonymous Author, the Heads whereof are briefly these. 1. He saith, that on the sixth Day of the Creation of the World, God created Male and Female, that is, according to his Exposition of it, God created Men and Women on the same Day in all Parts of the Earth; so as that the Earth immediately produced Trees, Fruits and Animals, it had also every where at the same time, Men and Women placed in it. 2. That long after, God made *Adam* to be the first Man of his own peculiar People, who were afterwards called *Jews*. 3. That this Creation of *Adam* out of the Earth, which is described in the second Chapter

of *Genesis*, is different from the Creation of the Men, whom *Moses* speaks of in the first Chapter. 4. That the Gentiles, that is, People differing from the *Jews*, were the Men of the first Creation; and that *Adam* from whom the *Jews* deduce their Origin, was a new Production of God, who formed him to be the chief of his own People. 5. That *Moses* his Intention was not to write the History of the World, but only that of the *Jews*; wherefore he says but little of the first Creation of Men. 6. That *Noah's* deluge was not universal throughout the Earth, but that it drowned *Judea* only. 7. That all the People of the World did not descend from *Noah*, nor from his three Sons. 8. That the Gentiles gave themselves over to all sorts of Vices, but that these Sins were not laid to their Charge, because God had not given them a Law, and that they were not properly Sins, but Evil Actions, as those of Beasts, who do wrong, but sin not. 9. That the Gentiles dyed not because they had sinned, but because they were Composed of a Body subject to Corruption. 10. That as to the second Creation, to wit, that of *Adam*, he had been Created to be the first Patriarch of the *Jewish* People, to whom God was to manifest himself in due time, and afterwards to the Gentiles, in order at last to form but one Church of both.

The Author of these detestable Opinions, chiefly makes use of the words in the fifth Chapter of *St. Paul* to the *Romans*; *There were Sins in the World before the Law, but they were not imputed, there being no Law*; from whence he argues, we must understand here the Law prescribed to *Moses*, or that

that to *Adam*, if the first, it follows, that there were Sins before and until *Moses*, and that God did not impute them; which latter is manifestly false, as appears by the punishment of *Cain*, and the *Sodomites* mentioned in Scripture: If by it we understand the Law of *Adam*, we must conclude there were Men before him; but this is Answered, in saying that the Apostle speaks of the Law of *Moses*, which is called Law simply in Scripture, and by the Apostle himself; and 'tis certain, that this Law of *Moses* is what gives the Prohibition, nor does the Apostle say, that there were Sins before *Moses* his Law, that were not imputed, but that there were Sins in the World before that Law; that no Sins were imputed where there is no Law, from whence it follows, that before *Moses* his time, there was a Law prescribed to *Adam*.

Here it will not be improper to say something concerning the Antiquity of the *Chaldeans*, *Egyptians* and *Chineses*; since 'tis principally upon the Histories of these Nations, that the Author of the *Pre-Adamites* has grounded his Theological system: After having said in his Preface, that those that could see any thing might discern, that the Epoch of the World ought not to be taken from the Creation of *Adam*, he adds, that he must return back as far as the Origin of the *Chaldeans*, *Egyptians*, *Ethiopians* and *Scythians*; but in his third Book where he treats of these matters, he says nothing of the *Chaldeans* and *Egyptians*, but after *Diodorus*, that these People believed that the World was Eternal, and made it their boast that they had applied themselves above four hundred and seventy thousand Years

to observe the Stars: But to overthrow their vain Assertions, when *Alexander the Great* took the City of *Babylon*, he had *Calisthenes* there with him, a Famous Philosopher, who having been desired by *Aristotle* to shew him what Monuments of Antiquity there were among the *Chaldeans*, this friend of his, sent him the ancientest Astronomical observations he could find in *Babylon*, which were not of above a thousand nine hundred and three Years standing, before that Expedition of *Alexander*: Now according to those who follow the version of the *Septuagint*, these observations mount no higher than the Reign of *Semiramis*, who began to Reign after the Death of *Abraham*. *Berosus* in his History of the *Chaldeans*, reckons ten Generations from *Alorus* (which indeed is the *Adam* of *Moses*) to *Xisuthrus*, who is no other than *Noah*, and reckons ten more from *Xisuthrus* to *Abraham*: But it is known, that the *Chaldeans* and *Babylonians* had their beginning a little before the Birth of *Heber*; since Holy Writ informs us, that the Posterity of *Noah* having quitted the Mountains where they dwelt a long time after the deluge, spread themselves into the Plains, and gave the Name of *Shinaar* to the first Land where they fixed, and afterwards built there the Tower and City of *Babylon*.

It's true as to the *Egyptians*, they believed that they were the first people of the World, tho' 'tis easy enough to penetrate into their fabulous Origin. Their Historians say, that they have had Kings for the space of 36825 Years to *Nenebes*, who was driven from his Throne by *Othus* King of *Persia*, nineteen Years before the Monar-

chy of *Alexander the Great*. They say that the Gods or Heroes and Demi-Gods reigned in this Empire, for 34201 Years, and that from that time they were succeeded by the Kings; the first whereof was *Manes*: The famous *Manetho*, who was Priest in the City of *He-liopolis*, and wrote the History of *Egypt* by the Order of *Ptolomy Philadelphus*, imitating this ancient Chronicle, makes the Gods and the Heroes to reign upon the Borders of the *Nile*: But he neither reckons up so great a number; nor does he assign them so many Years to reign. Tho' after all, 'tis manifest, these things are Fables invented by the *Egyptians*, to make their Antiquity equal with that of the *Chaldeans*; these two Nations having always been Competitors to one another in this Particular.

As for the *Chineses*, one may see by their Histories, that to the Year of our Lord 1688 their Empire had lasted four thousand six hundred and forty Years; which must ascend up above five hundred Years before the Deluge, according to the ordinary Calculation; But according to the Computation of the *Septuagint*, this must begin 665 after the Deluge: So that upon the whole it appears, that the Author of the *Pre-Adamites*, hath searched to no purpose into the Antiquity of these Nations for Proofs to the supporting of such impious and extravagant Opinions.

PRESANCTIFIED; A Word used by the *Greek Church*, who have a Liturgy, called the *Presanctified*, because that upon those Days they do not consecrate the Bread or Wine, but receive the Bread which was consecrated the Day

before: This Mass is said all *Lent* long, except *Saturdays* and *Sundays*, and the *Annunciation* of the *Blessed Virgin*, which being Festivals, are exempt from Fasting; the *Greeks* being of Opinion, that the whole Mass is not to be celebrated on Fasting-Days, and upon this account charge the *Latin Church* with breach of the Canons, because they say Mass in *Lent*-time, as they do the rest of the Year, *Good-Friday* excepted; for on that Day this Mass of the *Presanctified* is offered in the *Lat in Church*: The Priest then consecrating neither Bread nor Wine, but making use of an Host, which was consecrated the Day before, and communicating only under one Kind; for the Wine he receives is only for Absolution, being unconsecrated. The *Greeks* do the same thing; from whence we may conclude, that they communicate only in one kind, during *Lent*, the Wine that they then receive being not consecrated.

PRESBYTERIANS; Christians so denominated, because they assert, that the Government of the Church appointed in the New Testament is by Presbyters, that is, Ministers and ruling Elders, associated for Government and Discipline: They affirm, there is no Order in the Church superiour to that of a Presbyter, by Divine Institution: That all Ministers being Ambassadors of Christ, are equal by their Commission, and that *Elder* and *Brother* are the same in Name and Office, according to the Scriptures: The lowest of their Courts is the Minister of the Parish or Congregation, with his Elders, who govern that single Parish or Congregation, having power to call

call before them any Member of the Congregation, to Instruct, Admonish, Rebuke, and Suspend them from the Lord's Table, as there shall be occasion, which they ground on *Heb. 13. 17. 1 Thess. 5. 12. 15. Matt. 7. 6. 2 Thess. 3. 6. 14, 15*. They have likewise a Deacon to take care of the Poor; and for all those Offices cite *1 Tim. 5. 17. Heb. 13. 7. 1 Cor. 12. 28. Acts 6. 2, 3*. The next Court is a *Presbytery*, composed of a greater number of Ministers and Elders, associated for governing the Churches in their Bounds, *Acts 11. 30. Acts 15. 4, 6, 22. Acts 21. 17, 18*. The highest Court is a Synod, which they hold may be Provincial, National or Oecumenical, and allow of Appeals from the Lesser to the Greater, as in *Acts 15. 2, 6, 22, 23*. The Ordination of their Ministers is by Praying, Fasting, and Imposition of the Hands of the *Presbytery*, *1 Tim. 4. 14*. After he is examined as to his Conversation, Religion and Learning, by the preaching Presbyters, who only lay Hands upon him.

Those who have a mind to read what they say for these things more at large, may see it in the Appendix to the *Westminster Confession* concerning Church Government: And as to their Doctrine, they are generally reputed to be Orthodox in the Faith; and the same is contained in the above-cited *Westminster Confession*: wherefore I shall say no more of this, nor of their Discipline, wherein all Foreign Protestants, except some few of the *Lutherans* agree with them.

PRIAPUS, A false Deity of the Ancients, whom they made to be the Son of *Bacchus* and *Venus*

and who had the care of Gardens: He was worshipped at *Lampsacus*. *Adonis* or *Osiris* having consecrated a *Phallus* of Gold in Memory of a Wound he had received in the Groyn, it hapned that the Reason of the *Phallus* came to be forgotten; and that the Priest of that Diety introduced a great many Impurities and Vilenesses upon this occasion.

PRIEST (HIGH) was he who was the principal Sacrificer under the Law. *Aaron*, *Moses* his Brother, was the first; and this Dignity was possessed by those of his Family, and others of the Jews till 1578 Years, from the Year of the World 2545, till 4123, which was the seventieth after the Nativity of our Saviour, when the City of *Jerusalem* was taken by *Titus*. There was none but the High-Priest permitted to enter into the Sanctuary of the Tabernacle: His Habit and Ornaments were mysterious; he wore, besides the ordinary Vests of Priests, one of a Jacinth Colour, that came down to his Heels, and whose Borders were adorned with divers Flowers, and embroidered with Gold: The lower part of this Robe was adorned and fringed with Pomegranates and Bells of Gold intermix'd, over which they had another Vest called an *Ephod*, which was a kind of short Coat but of a Cubit's length, interwoven with various Colours, with a mixture of Gold, and towards the middle of the Breast was a piece of Stuff like to that of the *Ephod*, called vulgarly, the *Oracle*, upon which were fixed twelve precious Stones of an inestimable value, placed in four Rows, three in each, and upon each of which was graven the twelve Sons of *Jacob*. The High-

High-Priest had likewise upon his Shoulders two *Sardonix's* enchaſed in Gold, on which the *Ephod* was faſtned, and the Names of the twelve Sons of *Jacob* were alſo engraven upon the two Stones: Beſides theſe he wore a Mitre of twined Linen, and a Plate of Gold, with a Blue Lace put upon it, and ſo ſet upon the fore-front of the Mitre, with the Name of God Engraven thereon.

PRIEST in *Greek*, properly ſignifies Old, and indeed they ought to be ſo in reſpect to Age and Prudence: As to the Old Teſtament, there the Age of the Prieſthood was fixed to thirty Years, and we find our Bleſſed Saviour did not begin his Miniſtry till that time; but under the new (tho' indeed the words Miniſter, Paſtor, &c. are there only uſed) there is no certain term of Years prefixed, and the praſtiſe of Chriſtian Churches hath been very various herein: As to the Heathen Prieſts, they were Perſons appointed to offer Sacrifices, and firſt inſtituted at *Rome* by *Numa*, of which there were two ſorts, one for all the Gods in General, and called *Pontifices*, and the other for the Gods in particular, as the *Luperci* for the God *Pan*, the *Sodales Titii* for the Gods of the *Sabines*; the *Salii* for *Mars*, the *Vesta's* for the Goddeſs *Veſta*, the *Flamins* for *Jupiter*, *Mars*, or *Quirinus*, the *Galli* for *Cybele*, &c. Beſides whom there were certain Magiſtrates or Officers, called *Epuſones*, who were as the attendants, or Stewards that preſided over thoſe Feaſts that were made after the Sacrifices; the King of the Sacrifice, who was, as it were Maſter of the Ceremonies; the *Fratres Arvales*, who took Care of the Sacrifices offered for the Increate of

the Fruits of the Earth, and the *Fratres Curiones*, that were over the Sacrifices of each *Curia*.

PRISCILLIANISTS, Certain Chriſtian Hereticks whoſe Author was *Priscillian*, a *Spaniard* of Noble Extraction, very wealthy and endued with much Wit, Learning and Eloquence, one *Mark* an *Egyptian* and an *Heretick*, having ſown the Errors of the *Gnoſticks* in *Gaul*, went into *Spain*, where Carnal Pleaſure, which was the Principal Article of his Doctrines, procured him quickly a great many Diſciples, the Chief whereof was *Priscillian*, who covered his Vanity under the appearance of a profound Humility; he taught beſides the Abominations of the *Gnoſticks*, that the Soul was of the ſame ſubſtance with God, and that deſcending to the Earth, thro' ſeven Heavens, and certain other degrees of Principality, it fell into the Hands of the Evil one, who put it into the Body, which he made to conſiſt of twelve parts, over each of which preſided a Caeleſtial Sign; he Condemned the Eating of the fleſh of Animals and Marriage, as an unlawful Copulation, and ſeparated Women from their Huſbands without their Conſent; and according to his Doctrines, Man's Will was ſubject to the Power of the Stars; he Confounded the Holy Perſons in the Trinity with *Sabellius*, ordered his followers to faſt on *Sundays* and *Chriſtmas-Day*, becauſe he believed Chriſt had not taken true fleſh upon him: Lying, a moſt abominable Vice, and ſo contrary to the God of Truth, was a thing tollerated amongſt them; there was a Volume Compoſed by them called *Libra*, becauſe that in the twelve Queſtions in it, as in twelve Ounces, their whole

whole Doctrine was explained. *Priscillian* broached his Heresie in the fourth Century.

PROCLINIATES, Christian Hereticks in the fourth Age; that denied the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, the Resurrection of the Body and the last Judgment.

PROPHETS, Chosen Persons inspired by God himself to instruct the Jewish Nation, and to foretel what was to come: Besides *Samuel*, *David*, *Nathan*, &c. we usually reckon up seventeen who are distinguished into the greater and lesser: The *Hebrew* in the Holy Scripture, makes use of the word *Nabi*, which the *Septuagint* have rendred Prophet, tho the Learnedst *Rabbins* and others, will have it derived from the word *Noah*, which, according to them signifies to speak; as if the Prophets among the *Jews* were Orators, who manifested the Will of God to the People, either in publick Discourses, or by their Writings, and 'tis for this Reason that their propheticall Books are divided into two Classes, whereof the first contains those they call *Nebym Reschonim*, that is, first Prophets, under which are comprehended the Books of *Joshua*, *Judges*, the Books of *Samuel* and of *Kings*: In the second are *Isaiah*, *Jeremiah*, and the other Prophets, which they call *Nebym Aharonim*, or the latter Prophets: *Theodoret*, with some others of the *Greek* Fathers, agree herein with the *Jews*, because they affirm, that the Prophets, each of them wrote the History of the Transactions of his time: *Josephus* also against *Ap- pian* says, that those who wrote the Annals of his Country, were called Prophets.

PROSELITES, A *Greek* word signifying a Stranger, of which

there were two sorts among the *Jews*, to wit, the Proselites of Righteousness, and the sojourning Proselites, or the Proselites of the Gate; the first submitted to the Law of *Moses*, and the others lived among the *Jews*, being obliged only to keep the seven Commandments of the Sons of *Noah*, which by the *Jews* were esteemed as the Law of Nature, and every body bound to serve them.

1. The first forbad Idolatry.
2. Hallow the Name of God.
3. Forbid Murder.
4. Condemned Adultery and Incest.
5. Forbad Theft.
6. To do Justice and to submit to it.
7. Forbid eating things strangled and blood.

All these Commandments, the *Jews* held, were immediately given by God; the first six were enjoined to *Adam*, and the seventh to *Noah*, and this was all the revealed Religion there was till *Abraham's* time.

But as to the Proselites of Righteousness, they were obliged to be Circumcised by the *Jews*, and to offer Sacrifice; but this related only to the Men, for the Women were obliged to receive Baptism, and to have Sacrifices offered for them, but there was no such thing required of the other Proselites: It was enough that they solemnly promised to observe the foresaid seven Commandments.

Before they admitted a Gentile to Circumcision, they Examined the sincerity of his Conversion, least Fear, Interest, or Ambition, might occasion it. Then they taught him several Articles of the

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Law, in what regarded the Unity of God, the Impiety of Idolaters, the reward of Vertue, &c. and when he was cured of the wound of the Circumcision, he was led to the Font, where his whole Body was dipt in the Reservatory of water. Children that had not attained the use of Reason, that is, Boys under the Age of thirteen Years and a Day, and Girls under twelve and a Day, were to have the Consent of their Parents, or Magistrates; this sort of Baptism was never repeated, being different from the oblations used every Day by the *Jews*.

The effect of this new Profession of Faith was altogether surprizing; for the *Hebrew* Doctors say, that the Proselytes were look'd upon as Born anew, so that they that were Born of *Gentile* Parents, were not looked upon as their Children, when become *Jews*; and if the Proselyte chanced to have Children before his Conversion, they were not to Inherit his Estate. As for the Proselytes of the Gate, it was enough that they made a solemn Promise in the presence of three Witnesses, to observe the seven Commandments of the Children of *Noah*, after which the *Jews* suffered them to live among them, as believing they might be saved, if they observed these Commandments. As for those who refused to observe this Law of Nature, they were not tolerated in *Judea*, nor did this usage of receiving Proselytes of the Gate, continue always among them, for it ceased with the Jubilee, when the Tribes of *Reuben*, *Gad* and *Manasses*, were led in Captivity by *Tiglath Pilneser*, King of *Assyria* in the time of *Joatham*, King of *Judah* about 757. before the Incar-

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nation of Christ. The *Jews* do still call those Gentiles, and even Christians too, Proselytes, when they embrace their Religion and observe this Ceremony; when any one offers himself with a design to turn *Jew*, there are three *Rabbins*, or Men in Authority, imploy'd to use their Cunning to Learn of him, the Reason of this Resolution, least the motive be humane: If he persists, notwithstanding the Remonstrances made him, that *Moses* his Law is severe, that his followers are the scorn of Mankind, &c. he is Circumcised, and all over bathed in water in the presence of the three *Rabbins* that Examined him; after which he is accounted as much a *Jew*, as if he were born one.

As to the Women that become Proselytes, the *Rabbins* say, in Conformity to their *Talmud*, that they are immersed in water to the Neck by other Women, and after that instructed in the Law of *Moses* by two *Rabbins*.

PROSERPINA, Sometimes confounded with *Diana*, the Daughter of *Ceres*, and a kind of Heathen Divinity, which we only mention in this Place.

PROTESTANTS, A Name assumed by the People of several Imperial Towns, and others in *Germany* in 1529. because they protested against a decree made in the Diet of *Spire*, by *Ferdinand*, Arch-Duke of *Austria*, and other *Roman* Catholick Princes, and demanded Liberty of Conscience, till the Celebration of a Council, in pursuance of a decree made in 1526. But this Name of Protestant was then confined only to the fore-mentioned People; yet the Glorious Reformation of Religion, spreading it self far and near in several

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several Parts of *Europe*: It has been since given in general to all such as have reformed from the Papacy, however so much diversified among themselves, and in Contradistinction to those of the *Romish* Communion, whom the other call *Papists*.

PROTEVANGELION, the Name of a Book attributed to St. *James* the Apostle, which treats of the Birth of the blessed Virgin and that of our Saviour. It was brought first from the *East* by *Postellus* in *Greek*, who translated it into *Latin*, affirming, that it is publickly read in the *Eastern* Church, and formerly believed to have been wrote by St. *James*, first Bishop of *Jerusalem*; but the Fables, wherewith it is stuffed, evidence the contrary.

PROTEUS, A Sea Deity of the Heathens, said to look after *Neptunes* Flocks. The Pagans would have him to be an excellent Prophet, (surely a great diminution of his God-head) and those who had a mind to consult him about future Events, must surprize and bind him; since he had the Artifice to assume divers Shapes, in order to avoid giving an answer to such as came to consult him. *Herodotus* does not doubt but *Proteus* was originally an *Egyptian* King, and according to their usage made one of their Deities; and *Diodorus Siculus* agrees with him as to the Reign of *Proteus* in *Egypt* during the Siege of *Troy*, and says, that the *Greek* Fables concerning his Transformation took its Origin from the different Habits which he affected to wear above the other Kings of *Egypt*. I know of no particular Adoration paid him.

PROTHESIS, A Name given by the *Greek* Christians to a Table,

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whereon the Bread and Wine were put, before they were carried to the great Altar to be consecrated: The Word *Prothesis* in this place signifies *Preparation*, because things are prepared on the little Altar, before they are placed on the great one.

PROTHONOTARY, A Word that has a different signification in the *Greek* Church from what it has in the *Latin*; for in the first it is the Name of one of the great Officers of the Church of *Constantinople*, that takes place next the Patriarch, and writes all Dispatches he sends to the *Grand Signior*; besides which he is impowered to have an Inspection over the Professors of the Law, into Purchases, Wills, and the Liberty given to Slaves: But in the *Roman* Church they were formerly called *Prothonotaries*, who had the charge of writing the Acts of the Martyrs, and the Circumstances of their Death; a Title of Honour whereunto is ascribed many Privileges, as Legitimatizing Bastards, making Apostolick Notaries, Doctors of Divinity, of the Canon and Civil Law: They are twelve in number.

PSYCHE, A kind of Goddess of the Ancients, whereby they mean, according to its Etymology in *Greek*, the *Humane Soul*. She was represented with the Wings of a Butterfly on her Shoulders: The nimbleness of that Creature in some measure expressing the Activity, Nature and Properties of the Soul. I meet with no Form of Adoration among the *Pagans* paid to this supposed Divinity.

PUDICITIA, A Goddess ador'd by the ancient *Heathens*, under the shape of a Woman veil'd, and

of an exceeding modest Countenance. There were two Temples erected to her at *Rome*, the one belonging to the noble *Roman Ladies*, and the other to the *Plebeian Women*, wherein she was solemnly worshipped.

PURIFICATION, A *Jewish* Religious Ceremony, ordained by the Law of *Moses*, where 'tis said, *That a Woman should keep within forty days after her Lying-in, if she was brought to bed of a Son, and eighty, if of a Daughter*, and when that time was expired, she was to go to the Temple and offer a Lamb, with a young Pidgeon or Turtle; or, if she were poor, two Pidgeons or two Turtles.

The Feast of the Purification amongst Christians, was instituted in Honour of the *Virgin Mary's* going to the Temple, where, according to custom, she presented our blessed Saviour, and offered two Turtles for him: There is a Homily upon this Feast in the *Bibliotheca Patrum*, writ by *Methodius* Bishop of *Tyre*, who flourished in the third Century. Pope *Sergius I.* added the Procession with Wax-Tapers, to give (as the Papists would have it) a more sensible Representation of the Mystery; from whence it was called *Candlemass-day*.

PURIM, A Name given by the *Jews* to one of their Feasts, celebrated in memory of *Esther*, who prevented the *Israelites* from being entirely destroyed by the Conspiracy of *Haman*: This Name has been given to the Feast because of the *Purim* or *Lots* mentioned in the 9th of *Esther*, *R. Leo* of *Modena* says, this Feast lasted two Days; but it was the first that was only the solemn Day, and that they fasted the E-

vening before it; but yet they might work and labour on both these Days: On the first they read over all the Book of *Esther*, and at the same time of reading it, he observes, that some hearing the Name of *Haman* pronounced, clapped their Hands, to intimate they cursed him: They then likewise give very large Alms; Relations and Friends sending Presents to one another of things to eat, and all the Day is spent in Rejoicing and Feasting.

PURITANS, A sort of strict Calvinists, who appear'd in *England* in 1565, or, according to others, in 1568. The great *Thuanus* in his History for this Year gives this Account of them: 'At the same time, says he, in *England* *Coleman*, *Burton*, *Hallingham*, and others of the same Opinion, who believed, or at least pretended so, that their Scheme of Religion was more pure and unexceptionable than that of others, began to question the received Discipline of the Church of *England*, and to oppose the Liturgy and Authority of the Bishops, because they said, that these differ'd but little from the Church of *Rome*; and that for their parts, they thought themselves obliged to the Plan of *Geneva*; and though they were checked at first, yet their Party increased to a considerable number. There were some Bishops even inclinable to their Perswasion, besides others of the Lay-Gentry, who had a mind to have some more of the Church-Lands, not to mention the common people, who are generally in love with Novelties, and were best pleased with those that made most noise against

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against them. But with all just and due Deference to the Authority of this great Foreigner; though it must be allowed, that there might be Enthusiasts amongst them, there was a great deal of Piety and sincere Religion among those People called Puritans, and could not be denied even by some who were quite of a contrary Opinion from them.

PUSSA, A false Goddess of the *Chineses*, whom Authors call the *Chinesian Cybele*. This Idol is represented sitting on the Flower of a Tree, in *Latin* called *Lotus*, above the top Branches of the Tree, and her two Hands in one another upon her Breast; besides which she has also sixteen Arms, eight stretched out on the Right side, and eight on the Left; and in each Hand a Sword, Knife, Book, Bason, Wheel, and other Mysterious and Symbolical things. Her Ornaments are very costly, and she shines all with Diamonds and other precious Stones.

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QUAKERS, a Sect of Christians appearing first in the *North of England* about the Year 1650; some of whose particular Tenets are as follow, viz. they affirm, That the Holy Spirit enjoins them to use *Thee* and *Thou*, or the plain Language (*Wyeth's Switch for the Snake*, pag. 137.) that Quivering and Quaking are now sometimes used by the Power of God, and justify these extravagant Emotions from Texts of Scripture (*Ib.* 443.) They own a distinction in the Godhead, an Essential Quality between Father, Son and

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Holy Ghost; but except against the Word *Person* as too gross to express it. (Page 34, 527.) They suppose new Revelations still continued, and that their Ministers may thus Supernaturally be enlightened up to the degree of Prophecy and Vision. (*Ib.* 775.) They own extraordinary Commissions or special Manifestations of God to his Children in the highest degree of immediate Revelation. (p. 435.) And in virtue of this Privilege, their Ministers pretend to receive the Gospel, in the same manner St. Paul did, *not of Man, but by the Revelation of Jesus Christ*. (p. 475.) To proceed, Those, say they, who are not Infallible, are not in the Spirit, and by consequence no Ministers. For every true Member of the true Church has Certainty, and Infallibility of Judgment, and knows the Infallibility of the Truth he professes. (pag. 90, 93.) The same Author continues, That every Member of the Church of Christ must necessarily have a measure of the Spirit of Christ, else they are none of his: Now even the least Measure or Manifestation of his Spirit is Infallible. (p. 90, 93, 95.) But notwithstanding these Assertions, they deny their lodging Infallibility in any private Person, or even so much as in their Church. Where is it lodged then? Why, to use their own Words, in the Infallible Spirit of God, privately or particularly working in the Hearts of Men. (p. 134, 135.) They grant the Manifestation of the Holy Spirit was greater in those who wrote the Holy Scriptures, than in the present Quakers. (p. 150.) However, those, as they speak, that through Obedience im-

prove their Talent, have the same Rule of the Holy Spirit, to read and understand the Scriptures, which the Apostles and Prophets had when they wrote. (p. 151.) And that the sensible Experiences of the Holy Spirit are at this Day a certain Guide for interpreting the Scripture; for those who concur with the Grace of God, have an Infallible Evidence of the Holy Spirit to discern between Truth and Error. (p. 153, 156, 159.) They likewise deny, the Holy Scriptures being the only object (their meaning is the Rule of Faith) or that the Letter of the Scripture, or (written word) is the Sword of the Spirit (p. 222.) they make the Light within, the Rule for every one to walk by, and suppose that God speaks to Men *Now*, in the same immediate manner by which he revealed himself to the Holy Apostles and Prophets, (p. 381.) and seem plainly to assert, that their own Writings are Instances of such immediate Revelation, (*Ib.*) They affirm moreover, that we must have new Revelations to justify our being governed by the old ones; For to practise any Command of Scripture without the moving of the Spirit, is an Abomination to the Lord, (p. 169.) they affirm, the Lives of the Saints are not at all sinful, and that it is the Doctrine of Devils to Preach that Men shall have Sin, and be in a warfare, as long as they are on the Earth, (p. 71. 72.)

George Fox asserts, that it is not Blasphemy to say, that the Soul is a part of God; but Joseph Wyeth endeavours to interpret him in an Innocent sence, and says that for his Expressions of Christ being Personally in the Professors, he means nothing more than a Spiritual Union, (p. 56.)

The *Quakers* Administer neither Baptism, nor the Lords Supper, but disown the Institution of both Sacraments, (p. 258. 264, 265.) they likewise hold the Consecration of Houses or Churches, (so do others, as well as they) vain and insignificant, (p. 476.) they look upon it as an absurdity to affirm, that the Joy of the Saints is imperfect in the State of separation, or that the Happiness of the Soul depends upon that of the Body, (p. 244.) they hold all Swearing unlawful, (p. 13.) they declare against the Payment of Tythes, call it an *Anti-Christian* Yolk of Bondage; and disown those that comply with the Law in this particular, (p. 13. 416, 371.) they have a mean notion of the Fathers, and believe that Apostacy from the Life and Spirit of Christianity, began very early, even while the Apostles were living, (p. 2. 3, 303.) and as for the Clergy of the Church of *England*, they have entertained a hard opinion of them, making them to be *Baal's* Priests, an *Anti-Christian* and Apostatized Generation, (p. 378. 383.) But then they justify their hard Language by Parallel Instances of Priviledge in the Apostles and Prophets, affirming, that sharp and severe expressions have sometimes been the immediate dictates of the Spirit of God, (p. 311. 314.)

The *Quakers* acknowledge, that the Civil Magistrate is ordained by God, to punish with the Sword, but that it is lawful for any of their Party to make use of it, (p. 367. 319.) the Carnal weapon being only allowed to such, as are not, as they term it, under the Gospel Ministration, nor come up to their supposed discoveries of truth (*Ib.*) However, tho their Principle restrains

strains them from Fighting, they may be sometimes extraordinarily Commission'd to denounce War and foretell it ; and upon this Claim, to give no more Instances, *George Bishop* assumed the Character to *O. Cromwell* (p. 359. 360.)

The *Quakers* apply equally to all Governments, or pretended Governments, and do not seem'd to make one Title better than another ; for to use their own words, they do not dispute Authority with any Man, nor question forms of Government, nor trouble their Heads what becomes of the World, (p. 362. 366.) and in Consequence of this Principle, they seem to make a kind of Merit of their faithful obedience, under all the usurpations of the Rump Parliament, *Cromwell*, &c. (p. 375.)

Having thus Represented their Opinions from *Wyeth*, *Whitehead*, and other Friends, quoted by them with approbation, we shall insert a few things from *Robert Barclay*, one of the most Learned of their perswasion : He in his second Proposition affirms, that the Light within, or the Divine inward Revelation, is like common Principles, self-evident ; and therefore 'tis not to be subjected either to the Examination of the outward Testimony of the Scriptures, or of the natural Reason of Man. In his third Proposition, he asserts, that the Scriptures are not the Principal Ground of all Truth, nor the Primary Rule of Faith and Manners, they being only a secondary Rule, and subordinate to the Spirit ; by the inward Testimony of which Spirit, we do alone know them ; so that by this reasoning, the Authority of the Scriptures must depend upon the inward Testimony of the Spirit ;

He affirms further, that the depraved Seed or Original Sin, is not imputed to Infants before actual transgression : (*Prop. 4th.*) Those who have the Gift of the Light within, are sufficiently ordained to Preach the Gospel, tho without any Commission from Churches, or any Assurances from humane Learning ; whereasthose who want the Authority of this Divine Gift, how well qualified soever in other Respects, are to be looked upon as deceivers, and not true Ministers of the Gospel : (*Prop. 10.*) All acceptable worship must be undertaken and performed by the immediate moving of the Holy Spirit, which is neither limited to Places, Times, nor Persons ; and therefore all outward significations of Divine Worship, unmoved by secret Inspiration, which Man sets about in his own Will, and can both begin and end at his Pleasure, all Acts of Worship thus mis-qualified, consisting either in Prayers, Praises, or Preaching, prescribed, premeditated, or extempore, are no better than Superstitions, Will-Worship, and abominable Idolatry in the sight of God : (*Prop. 11.*) The Dominion of Conscience belongs only to God, therefore 'tis not lawful for Civil Magistrates to punish their Subjects, either in Fortune, Liberty, or Person, upon the score of difference in Worship or Opinion ; Provided always that no Man under pretence of Conscience, does any Injury to his Neighbour, relating either to Life, or Estate : The *Quakers* are charged with other Errors of a very bad Complexion, drawn especially from the Writings of those who were first of their perswasion, but these Tenets the Modern *Quakers* seem to disown, and appear very willing

to explain and reconcile their Authors to a more Orthodox meaning; the truth is, they now far differ from what they were Originally, not only in Principle, but even their external Demureness and Rigidity seems to be abated; if you would have the Account they have themselves sent in about two Years ago upon a particular occasion, 'tis this that here follows.

I had almost forgot that 'tis one of their practises (if not Principles) to suffer Women to speak in their Assemblies; But,

QUAKERS, A Religious People abusefully so called from the word *Quaker*; the Curious may read their Rise in *George Fox's Journal*, and *William Penn's Brief Account* of the Rise and Progress of that People, and their Apology by *Robert Barclay*, who hath Comprized their sentiments in fifteen *Theses*; Some of the Principal Doctrines held by this People are, that God hath given to all Men without any Exception, supernatural Light, which being obeyed, can save them, and that this Light is Christ, the true Light, which lighteth every Man that cometh into the World, *John 1. 9.* That the Life ought to be regulated according to this Light, without which no Man or Woman, is capable of understanding the Holy Scriptures, which they believe were given by Inspiration of God, are to be preferred to all other Writings extant in the World, and do own them to be a secondary and subordinate Rule of Faith and Practise, but the Light or Spirit of God, they believe is the Primary Rule, because the Holy Scriptures were given forth by, and do receive all their Authority from the Holy Spi-

rit, but a measure or manifestation of the Spirit, is given to every one to profit withal; that in Worship, Men and Women ought to wait in the silence of all flesh, to receive immediately from the Lord, before they open their Mouths, either in Prayer to Almighty God, or in Testimony to the People; that all Superstitions and Ceremonies of meer humane Institution in Religion, ought to be laid aside, as also in Civil Society, as the Saluting one another, by the putting off the Hat, Bowing, Curching, and saying *you*, instead of *thou*, to a single Person, &c. that Men and Women, ought to be Plain and Grave in their Apparel, Sober and Just in their whole Conversation, and at a word in all their Dealings; not to Swear or Fight, or bear any Carnal Weapons for that End, but to Love one another and do good, as much as in them lies to all Men.

QUARTODECIMANI, or *Paschites*, a Name given in the second Century to some of the Christians, who would Celebrate the Feast of *Easter* on the fourteenth Day of the Moon, what Day or Week soever it hapned, in imitation of the *Jews*; the dispute was only at first amongst those they termed Catholicks, and made no breach of Charity: But in a Council held at *Rome* in 196. Pope *Viktor* Excommunicated those that Celebrated *Easter* on another Day than *Sunday*: This severity appear'd too Rigorous to *Irenaeus*, Bishop of *Lyons*, and to some other Bishops: Afterwards in 335. the dispute about the Celebration of the Feast of *Easter*, was entirely terminated in the Council of *Nice*. Which ordered, 1. That the Festival of *Easter*, should not be Celebrated

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till after the Vernal Equinox.

2. That the Vernal Equinox should be fixed to the 21st of *March*.

3. That that *Sunday* should always be pitched upon, which followed immediately the 14th of the Moon.

4. That if the 14th Day of the Moon hapned to be on a *Sunday*, it should be deferred till the next *Sunday* following, that *Easter* might not be Celebrated by them, the same Day as by the *Jews*.

QUIETISTS, A Christian Sect that took its Origin in the last Century from *Michael Molinos*, a *Spanish* Priest, who endeavoured to establish new Doctrines in *Italy*; the chief of which was, that Men ought to annihilate themselves, in order to be united to God, and remain afterwards in quietness of mind, without being troubled for what should happen to the Body, and therefore his followers took the Name of *Quietists* from the word Quiet, Rest; by that Principle he pretended that no real Act was either meritorious or Criminal, because the Soul and its faculties being annihilated, had no part therein, and so this Doctrine led People to transgress all Laws, Sacred and Civil: The Doctrine of *Molinos* in 1687. was by the Inquisitors and Pope, declared false and pernicious, and his Book burnt, he himself was Imprisoned, after he had recanted and dyed in 1692. It's supposed, there are many of this Sect still in being in *Italy*, tho Covertly, and that their Doctrine has also crept over the *Alps* into *France*, *The Maximes of the Saints explained*, writ by the Arch-Bishop of *Cambray*, having some tendency that way.

QUINQUATRIA, Certain Festivals in Heathen *Rome*, Celebrated in Honour of *Pallas*, being like

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those the *Athenians* call *Panatheneas*; and they had this Name given them from their lasting five Days; on the first of which they offered Sacrifices; on the second, third, and fourth, were shewed the Combats of Gladiators, and on the 5th, was a Cavalcade made thro' the City; they began on the 18th of *March*.

QUINTILIANS, Christian Hereticks, the Disciples of *Montanus*, their Name being taken from *Quintilla*, whom they followed as a Prophetess, they made the *Eucharist* of Bread and Cheese, which occasioned to give them the Name of *Artotyrites*, and amongst them the Women were Priests and Bishops.

QUIRINALES, Festivals Celebrated in Heathen *Rome*, in Honour of *Romulus*, Surnam'd *Quirinus*.

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RABANITES, A Name by which the *Jews* are called, who follow the Doctrine of their Fathers or Ancestors, which they call *Rabbanim*, and 'tis properly those who succeeded the Ancient Pharisees, all whose traditions they most obstinately adhere to, which distinguishes them from the Sect of the *Caraites*, so called, because they confine themselves to the Scripture; these last, extreemly hate the other *Jews*, whom they look upon as Hereticks.

RABBINS, The Name of the Jewish Doctors, whom the *Hebrews* call *Rab*, *Rabbi*, and *Rabboni*; some have observed that *Rab* was a Title of Honour for those who had been received to be Doctors in *Chaldea*; that *Rabbi* was a Name proper to the *Israelites* of the *Holy Land*; and that *Rabboni* was not given to any but to the wise Men

Men that were of the House of David : All these Names signifie Master or Doctor : Selden says, that Rabbi was the Title of him who had been made Judge or Senator of the *Sanhedrim* in the Holy Land, and that they gave Rab or Rabbi to him who had been constituted in a Land of Captivity. They were to pass through several Degrees before they could have the Title of Rabbi ; the first was of those whom they called *Bachur*, that is, elected from the number of Disciples ; the second of those named *Chaber*, that is to say, the Fellow of a *Rabbin*, to whom they gave the Title by the Imposition of Hands, and called this Ceremony *Semicati* : Afterwards, when they judged them capable to teach others, they qualified them with the Title of *Rabbi*. The *Rabbins* in their publick Assemblies were to sit on high Chairs, the Fellows on Benches, and the Disciples upon the Ground at the Feet of their Masters. The *Rabbins* determin'd all Matters in Religion, and were concerned also in Civil Affairs : They celebrated Marriages and published Divorces ; they preached, if capacitated for it, and had the first Seats in the Synagogues ; they chastised the Disobedient, and had also power to excommunicate.

RABBOTH ; The Jews give this Name to certain Allegorical Commentaries upon the five Books of *Moses*, of great Authority among them, and esteemed very ancient ; for they pretend they were composed about the 30th of Christ ; concerning which they have a great many fabulous Stories ; but 'tis easie enough to prove, they are not of that Antiquity the *Rabbins* will have them to be.

RADAMANTHUS, was feigned by the Heathen Poets to be the Judge of departed Souls in Hell, and consequently a sort of Divinity not ador'd, yet surely much feared by them.

RAMADAN or *Ramazan*, The ninth Month in the Year of the *Mahometans* ; which Year is composed only of twelve Lunar Months, wherefore this Month *Ramadan* answers successively to all the Months of our Year : *Ramaz*, which is pronounced as *Ramadz*, signifies violent heat : And this Month was so called, because that at the time when new Names were given to the Months of the ancient *Arabs*, the ninth happened to be in the heat of Summer : The *Mahometans*, during this Month, are forbid to eat, drink and lie with their Wives, from break of Day till Sun-set ; but when the Sun is set, and that the *Iman* has caused the Lamps to be lighted, which are placed on the tops of the Minarets or Turrets of the Mosques, they are allowed to eat : Then they make good Cheer, and spend the best part of the Night in Feasting. They do most of their Business by Night, and sleep all the Day ; so that their Fasting is properly nothing else but the changing of the Day into Night : They call this Month *Holy* and *Sacred*, and believe, that as long as it lasts, the Gates of Paradise are open, and those of Hell are shut up : 'Tis an impardonable Crime to drink Wine at this time.

RANANITES, A Sect of *Jews*, who have a Veneration for, and worship Frogs ; for that God made use of them to torment *Pharaoh*, and who believe that God is pleased with this Superstition.

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RASPONTES or *Rasbontes*, A sort of *Banyans*, who were somewhat like unto the Sect of the *Samarath*; they believe the Transmigration of the Soul, but say, That Mens Souls go into Birds, which advertise their Friends of the Good or Evil that shall befall them; wherefore they are very Superstitious Observers both of the singing and flight of Birds: The Widows cast themselves into the Funeral Pile of their Husbands, unless by a Contract of Marriage they provided by an Article, that they should not be forced to it. They are generally stout, and of the Soldiery, and have scarce Compassion upon any thing but Birds, which they take great care to nourish, in hopes that when their Souls shall pass into those sorts of Animals, they will have the same Charity for them.

RASSANE; This Word properly in *Arabick* signifies a Messenger and Envoy, and is particularly applied by the *Mussulmen* to *Mahomet*, whom they stile *Res-soulallah*, the Prophet of God.

RAVENDIA. A wicked Sect of the *Mahometans*, or *Hereticks*, who allowed of the Transmigration of Souls, and believed, or took upon them to believe, that the Soul of *Mahomet* or some of the ancient Prophets animated the Body of *Abas Giafar Almanfor*, the second *Caliph* of the *Abbassidan* Race, and therefore would give him Divine Honour, by making Processions round his Palace, like those done at the Temple of *Mecca*: This Sect degenerated afterwards into a seditious and dangerous Faction, which the same *Caliph* was obliged to eradicate.

RAYMI, or *Yntip Raymi*, A so-

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lemn Feast, which the ancient *Inca's* of *Peru*, celebrated in Honour of the *Sun*: *Yntib* is the Name of the *Sun*, and *Raymi* signifies a *Feast*: This Solemnity was performed in the Month of *June*, after the *Solstice*: Then all the Generals and Officers of the Army, all the *Curaca's* or great Lords of the Kingdom being assembled in the City, the King began the Ceremony, as being the Son of the *Sun*, and Chief-Priest, although they had always had another Chief-Priest of the Royal Family: They all made themselves ready for this Feast by a Fast of three Days; during which time they abstained from their Wives, and no Fire was suffered to be kindled in the City: The Fast being ended, the *Inca*, followed by the Princes of the Blood and Lords of the Court, went into the great *Piazza* of *Cusco*, and there turning towards the *East*, and being all barefooted, they waited for the rising of the *Sun*; and as soon as they perceived it, they worshipped the same: Then the King holding a great golden Bowl in his Hand, drank to the *Sun*, and after gave it to those of the Royal Family to drink: The *Curaca's* or Lords of the Court drank another Liquor prepared by the Vestal Virgins or Priestesses of the *Sun*: This Ceremony being finished, they all returned towards the Temple, wherein the *Inca* alone, with the Princes of the Blood entered, there to offer divers Golden Vessels to the *Sun*, and several Animals made in Silver and Gold; and after that the Priest sacrificed the Victims, which were Lambs or Sheep, and so the whole Ceremony ended with Feasting and extraordinary Rejoycing.

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RECTRABITES, A certain Sect of the *Jews*, so called because they were the Disciples of *Jonadab* the Son of *Rechab* the Prophet: They never drank Wine, and lived abroad in Tents. In the Reign of *Jehoiakim* King of *Judah*, the fear of the Armies of *Nebucadonezar*, constrained them to retire to *Jerusalem*, where they privately lived. It was then that *Jeremy* brought them into the Temple, and presented them with Bowls full of Wine; but they refused to drink, adding, that they had resolved inviolably to observe the Orders of their Master, who forbad them to plant Vineyards, build Houses, &c. The Prophet took occasion from hence to reproach the *Jews* for their Disobedience and Errors, since they stuck not to violate the Laws of God, when the *Rechabites* made a Scruple of not observing the Traditions of Men.

RECOLECTS, or the *Minor Brethren* of *St. Francis*, A Congregation of *Religious* among the Church of *Rome*, established about 1530. There have been divers others of the Order of *St. Francis*, who all boasted they observed the Rule of their Founder in its Purity and Simplicity. *Leo X.* ordered they should be all reduced into one, under the Name of *Reformed*; since there have been some who would appear more rigid than others, and observe the Rule more exactly, according to the Letter, conformable to the Declarations of *Nicholas III.* and *Clement V.* *Clement VII.* in 1531, caused Mansions to be given them, whereunto they might receive those that had the Spirit of *Recollection*; for which Reason they received the Name of *Recollects*.

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REDEMPTION of *Captives*, or *Nostredame de la Mercy*, A Religious Order, who besides the three ordinary Vows of Chastity, Poverty, and Obedience, make a fourth, to employ themselves for the deliverance of Christian Slaves detained by the *Barbarians*, and also to enter into Servitude for the redeeming of Christians.

REDICULUS, The Name of a Heathen Deity, to whom the *Romans* built a Temple near *Rome*, upon the way to the Gate called *Capena*, near unto which *Hannibal* approaching to enter into *Rome*, was obliged hastily to return with all his Army, being seized with a sudden Terror, occasioned, as they said, by certain horrible *Spectrums* that appeared in the Air, as it were, for the defence of their City; in memory of which forcible return of their Capital Enemy, they consecrated that Temple to *Rediculus*, the Name being deduced from *Redire*, as if they had said, *The God that obliged him to return*. Others make him to be the God of *Laughter*; the precipitate and unexpected return of *Hannibal* having made the *Romans* laugh and fall to ridicule him: But they were not the first that Deify'd *Laughter*, since we are informed by *Plutarch* in his Life of *Licurgus*, that the *Lacedemonians* erected him a Statue, and the *Hypateans* of *Thessaly* annually offered Sacrifice to him, as also the *Romans* did in the Spring, accompanied with loud *Laughter*.

REGALE, The Rights which the Kings of *France* have to enjoy the Revenues of Bishopricks and Archbishopricks and vacant Sees, until such time as the Bishop or Archbishop has taken his Oath of Fidelity

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Fidelity to the King, and that that Oath be registred: There have been great Contests between some Kings of *France* and the Popes of *Rome* about this Priviledge; but this we shall not meddle with here.

REGIFUGIUM, A Feast celebrated by the *Romans* on the 24th of *February* in Memory of the Flight of King *Parquin*, who was banished *Rome* in the 245th Year after the Foundation of that City.

RELIGION is properly the Worship given to God, but 'tis also applied to the Worship of Idols and false Deities; and here it will not be improper to take the State of Religion int the four Parts of the World.

RELIGIONS of *Europe*; the Popish Inquisition suffers not in *Italy*, nor in any of the adjacent Isles, any of those whom they call *Hereticks*; since they look upon them as rebellious Subjects against the P.thc Church's pretended Head. They nevertheless tolerate *Jews*, for particular Reasons; and the Pope makes them pay Tribute for the Liberty they enjoy in the Territories of the Ecclesiastical State. The Republik of *Venice* have banished the *Jews*. In the Kingdom of *Naples* where the Inquisition Reigns, as in *Spain*, there are some *Greeks* and *Albanians* of the *Greek* Church tollerated.

Sicily professes the *Roman Catholick* Religion, and makes use of the Inquisition; and so does *Sardinia*. The Isle of *Malta* permits no Religion but that of the Church of *Rome*.

Dalmatia is possessed by the *Venetians* and *Turks*, and the little Republick of *Ragusa* pays Tribute both to the one and to the other,

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but is of the *Romish* Communion, and hath an Archbishop. The *Venetians* have two Bishopricks in *Dalmatia*, which are those of *Zara* and *Spalatro*. The People of the Isle of *Corfu*, which belongs to the Republick of *Venice*, are of the *Greek* Church; the Isle of *Candia*, now under the *Grand Signior*, besides *Mahometans*, has *Roman Catholicks*, *Greeks* and *Jews*, who pay Tribute for their Liberty.

There are none but *Romanists* in *Spain*, the Inquisition being there put in execution with much Severity, as well as in *Portugal*, and they suffer neither *Moors* nor *Jews* to be there.

France is now all of the Church of *Rome*, since the present King *Lewis XIV.* has pulled down the Church of the poor Reformed, and revoked the Edict of *Nants*.

In all the *Netherlands* which appertain either to the Kings of *France* or *Spain*, there is no other Religion but the *Roman Catholick*; and if there be any *Calvinists* or *Lutherans* there, they do not discover themselves.

In the States of *Holland* the Reformed Religion, according to the Mode of *John Calvin* is uppermost; but a pretty many *Papists* are suffered to be there, as well as *Lutherans*, *Remonstrants*, *Anabaptists* and *Jews*. The *Papists* are not permitted the publick Exercise of their Religion; but the *Lutherans* have leave to build Churches, and the *Anabaptists* have also theirs, as well as the *Jews* have their Synagogue at *Amsterdam*, and at *Rotterdam*.

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There are none but those of the Reformed Religion at *Geneva*; of the 13 *Cantons* of *Switzerland*, there are five of them Romanists, viz. *Uri*, *Switz*, *Underwald*, *Lucern*, and *Zug*. The *Canton* of *Southern* is almost all Catholick; *Zurick*, *Bearn*, *Bale*, and *Schafhausen*, are either *Zwilingians* or *Calvinists*: *Friburg*, *Claris* and *Apenzeel* are partly Romanists and partly Calvinists: Their Allies, the *Vaudois*, are part of them *Zwilingians*; the Country of the *Grisons*, partly Roman Catholicks and partly Protestants. The *Valtoline*, all Roman Catholicks.

Germany has almost as many Religions as it has Princes, States, and free Cities; but that of the Church of *Rome* is professed by the Emperor; and the principal Perswasions besides, are *Lutheranism*, *Anabaptism*, and *Calvinism*; but *Lutheranism* is of the greatest extent, and most countenanc'd by Authority. *Calvinism* is mostly professed in the *Palatinate*, in the Country of *Hesse*, the *Dutchy* of *Wirtemberg*, and the *Hans Towns*. The *Anabaptists* had formerly gained ground over all *Germany*, except *Austria* and *Bavaria*; but now there are none of them remaining unless in the Neighbourhood of *Holland*.

Hungary is partly Roman Catholick and partly Lutheran. The Kingdom of *Poland* is of the Popish Religion, though there are many Protestants there, especially in *Lower Poland*, about *Lublin*, *Prussia* and *Livonia*, towards the *Baltick*. In the Provinces that confine upon *Moravia*, *Hungary* and *Silesia*, and those that advance towards the *South* and the *Levant*, they, for the most part, follow the *Greek Church*. *Transyl-*

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vania is filled with all sorts of Religions; that of the Church of *Rome* is least in request.

Swedeland and *Denmark* follow the Confession of *Ausburg*. In all the Territories of the Queen of *Great Britain* the Reformed Religion is established; but in *England* the Established Church is Episcopal, and in *Scotland* Presbyterian.

The *Muscovites* follow the Religion of the *Greek Church*, altho' they have a Patriarch at *Muscow*, yet they cease not to acknowledge the Church of *Constantinople*. The *Morduois* that are upon the Frontiers of *Muscovy*, circumcise in the same manner as the *Turks* and *Jews* do, though they are not of their Religion; they are neither professed Christians nor Idolaters, live according to the Laws of Nature, and worship one God, Creator of the World, to whom they offer the First Fruits of all they gather, and cast them up towards Heaven.

Crim Tartary makes profession of *Mahometanism*: There are also some *Jews* and *Roman Catholicks* among them, to whom they grant the Exercise of their Religion, paying Tribute for the same. The *Mahometan* Religion reigns in *Turky*; but the *Grand Signior* suffers Christians and *Jews* there in divers places. The *Christian Greeks* as there in great numbers, and have a Patriarch at *Constantinople*, whose Jurisdiction extends as far as *Natolia*.

RELIGIONS of *Asia*: The *Mahometan* Religion is uppermost in *Turkish Asia*; though the *Grand Signior* permits other Religions there as well as in *Europe*. The *Greeks* have two Patriarchs there; that of *Antioch*, and that of *Jerusalem*.

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salem. It's in this Empire, where are Principally the Christians called *Armenians*, *Georgians*, *Nestorians*, *Jacobins* and *Maronites*; there are also *Roman Catholicks*, *Sabeans*, *Cophites*, and a great Number of *Jews*; the *Papists* are for the most part *French* and *Venetian* Merchants, who are assisted by the Religious *Franciscans*, whose usual Abode is at *Jerusalem* and *Bethlehem*.

In *Persia* the *Mahometan* Religion prevails, according to the Sect of *Ali*, which differs from that of *Abubeker*, *Omar* and *Osman*, whom the *Turks* prefer before that of *Ali*: But the *Persians* allow full Liberty of Conscience to all Strangers; so that there are *Roman Catholicks*, *Armenians*, *Nestorians* and *Sabeans*; there are also *Jews* and *Banyans*, or *Indian* Priests and other Idolaters.

Arabia is subject to the Grand Signior and *Mahometan* Princes, who tollerate Christians to live there, where they have a Famous Monastery upon Mount *Sinai*, possessed by the *Caloyers*, or Religious *Greeks* of the order of *St. Basil*.

The Empire of the *Mogul* in *India*, is subject to a *Mahometan* Prince of the Sect of *Ali*, which is that of *Persia*: But in these Dominions are many Idolaters; there are also *Roman Catholicks*, *Jews* and *Abyssines*, for every Nation has the free Exercise of its Religion.

The *Peninsula* of *Indus*, on this side the Gulph of *Bengale*, comprehends Divers Kingdoms, whose Inhabitants are almost all Idolaters, but to be more particular; the Isle of *Goa* belongs to the *Portuguese*, who have Divers Churches and Monasteries in it, and the Arch-Bishop of this Island, hath under him all the Bishops of the

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East-Indies: The Inquisition severely Exercises its Tyranny there, against Apostates, as they call them.

But *Armenians*, *Jews*, *Moors* and *Banyans*, or *Indian* Priests, are suffered to live there according to their Religions; besides *Arabs*, *Persians* and *Abyssines*, who partly follow the Christian, and partly that of the *Moors*, or *Mahometan* Religion.

The People of the Kingdom of *Calicut* believe in one God, Creator of Heaven and Earth, but they imagine him to be idle, and say that it is an Evil Angel that Governs the World, to whom they pay Divine Honours, and call him *Deumo*, and to Divers other false Divinities; the same superstitions are practised in the Kingdom of *Narsingua*, which is full of *Pagods*, or Temples built in Honour of their *Demons*; the King of *Golconda* follows the Religion of the *Persians*, but the People are Idolaters.

The main Land of *India* beyond the *Ganges*, is possessed by Divers Idolatrous Princes; the *Peninsula* of the same *Indus* on the East side of the Gulph, is also a Country where they worship Idols and false Gods; the King of *Siam* here permits the Exercise of all sorts of Religions, and testifies a particular esteem for that of the Christians; the *Peninsula* of *Malacca* is dependant upon the King of *Siam*, but the greatest part of it belongs to the *Dutch*, who grant Liberty of Conscience to Merchants of Divers Religions, that Trade and live there; there are a great many *Papists* in the Kingdom of *Tonquin* and *Lao*, where the *Jesuits* Preach; the People of *Pegu* are so bent upon Idolatry, that they have attempted

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in vain to bring the Christian Religion into their Country.

The *Chineses* are Idolaters, but the Exercise of the Christian Religion, at least as the *Jesuits* have been pleased to modify it, is permitted there, and that order have Divers Churches in that Country; there are also a great Number of *Jews*, who have their Synagogues by the permission of the Emperor of *China*.

Tartary is subject to Divers Princes, the most Potent of which is the great *Cham*; some of the Sovereigns follow the *Mahometan* Religion, others are *Pagans* and *Idolaters*; there are also *Nestorians* and *Jews*, but such as observe but little of the Law of *Moses*.

Idolatry Reigns in *Japan*, and since the Persecution of *Taicofama*, who Reigned there in 1630. the Christians have now no Church in that Country, but have had formerly.

The *Philippine* Islands belong to the King of *Spain*, who gives liberty of Conscience to all those of the Country that are Idolaters, and to Divers *Indian Chineses*: The Isles of *Sonda*, called *Java* and *Sumatra*, are Inhabited by People addicted to the Worship of Idols; there are also *Mahometans* and *Christians*; the *Hollanders* are very Potent in the Isle of *Java*, wherein they have *Batavia*; the Natives of the Isle of *Ceylon* are Idolaters, but there are many *Mahometans*, and good Number of *Christians*; the *Hollanders* possessing Divers Cities there.

The Isle of *Cyprus* is under the Dominion of the *Turks*, but they allow the *Latin* and *Greek* Churches to be there without any molestation; there also live *Armenians*, *Cophites*, and all sorts of Sects,

paying only a tribute for their Liberty; the Isle of *Rhodes* is Inhabited by *Turks*, *Greeks* and *Jews*.

RELIGIONS of *Africa*, *Barbary* is Inhabited by *Moors*, *Turks* and *Arabs*, who are of the *Mahometan* Religion; the *Portuguese* and *Spaniards*, have a few Places there; there are some Towns where the *Infidels* allow the *Christians* and *Jews* the Exercise of their Religion, paying tribute for the same.

The Chief Religion of *Egypt* is the *Mahometan*, which the *Moors*, *Turks* and *Arabs* follow, the *Christian Cophites* have their Churches there also, and the *Jews* their Synagogues.

The People of *Zanguebar*, and those upon the Coast of *Abex* are *Mahometans*, but the *Portuguese*, who have Places in *Zanguebar*, have introduced the Christian Religion; there are also in this Country, *Jews* and *Idolaters*.

The Natives of the Isle of *Madagascar*, believe there is one God, Creator of Heaven and Earth, but they also worship an Evil Spirit; the *French*, who are settled there, endeavour to bring them to Christianity.

Casraria is Peopled with Idolaters, only the *Dutch* have two Forts towards the Cape of *Good Hope* and the *Portuguese*, a Castle in the Kingdom of *Sofala*: There are many Idolaters in the Kingdom of *Conga*, some *Mahometans* and Divers *Christians*, especially in the Province of *Ampla*, of which the *Portuguese* are Masters.

The People of *Guinea* Worship Idols, but the *English*, *Dutch* and *Danes*, possess some Places on that Coast, and the *Portuguese* have Habitations in that Country, where they endeavour to introduce Christianity; the *Negroes* mix with their

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their Idolatry, some Ceremonies of *Mahometanism*, as do also the Inhabitants of *Zaara* and *Biledulgerid* observe the *Mahometan* Religion; the Religion of the People of *Nubia*, is a mixture of the Christian Ceremonies with those of *Judaism* and *Mahometanism*; the *Abyssines* are the purest of all the *Oriental* Christians, Heathen Idolatry is the ancient Religion of *Monomotapa*, but the *Jesuits* have established Christianity there in Divers Places.

RELIGIONS of *America*, *Canada*, or *New France*, is Peopled with *Romanists*, the Country in a great measure belonging to the *French*; *New England*, *New Holland*, and *New Swedeland*, have also their Colonies, and Exercise the reformed Religion of their respective Countries here: The *Salvages*, *Iroquois*, *Hurons*, *Algonquains*, and others have almost no Religion, save those who Converse with the People of *Europe*: The *English* possess *Virginia* with the Protestant Religion; the Natives believe there are Divers Gods of different order, who depend upon one Chief called *Keuvas*, which is their Sovereign, and hath been so from Eternity; they esteem the Sun, Moon and Stars to be *Demi-Gods*.

The *Salvages* of *Florida* are Idolaters, and adore the Sun and Moon, but the *Spaniards* and the *English* have Colonies there, and have introduced the Christian Religion into Divers Places.

Mexico or *New Spain*, is well Peopled with *Roman Catholics*, where there is an Arch-Bishop and Divers Bishops, the *Spaniards* are also Masters of *New Castile*, or *Castile d'Or*, where they have in like manner introduced the *Roman Catholic* Religion; the Moun-

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tainers of this Country are still Idolaters, and adore the Sun and Moon as the Principal Divinities, holding the one to be the Husband, and the other the Wife.

The *Caribee* Islands, and the Natives of *Guiana* are Idolaters, and some of them believe the Immortality of the Soul; the Inhabitants of the Country of *Amazon* also Worship Idols: *Brasil* is subject to the *Portuguese*, where they have the Arch-Bishop of *San-salvador*; the Country of *Plata* and that of the *Patagons*, are Peopled with Idolatrous Inhabitants, but the *Spaniards* have Divers Places there, and the Town of *Assumption*, which is a Bishop's See, and where there is a Colledge of *Jesuits*; the *Spaniards* have established Divers Seminaries in *Chili*, to Labour for the Conversion of the Natives, who have but very little Religion; the *Romish* Religion is established in *Peru*, which belongs to the King of *Spain*, there is an Arch-Bishoprick at *Lima*, and Divers Bishopricks in the other Provinces, and Idolatry remains but among very few of the *Salvages*.

RELIGIOUS *Mahometans*; See *Chalvetti* and *Nakschibendi*.

REMONSTRANTS or *Arminians*, a Powerful Party of Christians, first so called in *Holland*, and who took the Name of Remonstrants, from a Writing called a Remonstrance, that was presented by them to the States of *Holland* 1609. wherein they reduced their Doctrines to these five Articles.

1. That God in Election and Reprobation had regard on the one side to Faith and Perseverance, and on the other side to Incredulity and Impenitence.

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2. That Jesus Christ dyed for all Men without any Exception.

3. That Grace was necessary for the Application of ones self to Good.

4. That yet it did not Act in an irresistible manner.

5. That before affirming that the Regenerate cannot totally fall off, this Question ought more accurately to be examined.

The Name of *Arminians* was given them, because that *Arminius*, Professor of Divinity at *Leyden*, was the first that opposed the then received Sentiments in *Holland*, of an absolute *Predestination*: The Synod of *Dort*, consisting of *Dutch, French, German, English* and *Swiss* Divines, and held in 1618, condemned their Opinions.

RESURRECTION, a Weekly Feast in the Christian Church, or that we call the *Lord's Day*, instituted pursuant to Apostolical Practice, in Commemoration of our Blessed Saviour's Rising from the Grave, which hapned on the third Day after his Death. He appear'd first to *Mary Magdalen*, and other Holy Women, who came to the Sepulchre, then to *Peter*, to the Disciples that were going to *Emmaus*, and to the Apostles when met together. A Week after he appear'd a second time to the Apostles; and here *Thomas*, who was absent and doubted before, was convinced of his Resurrection and Divinity. The Scripture also acquaints us, with three other publick Appearances of our Saviour: The first was at the Sea of *Tiberias*, where *Peter, Thomas*, the two Sons of *Zebedee, Nathaniel*, and two other Disciples were present: The second was upon a Mountain in *Galilee*, supposed to be Mount *Tabor*; where, as *St. Paul* informs

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us, he was seen by five hundred Disciples at once. The last time of his publick appearing was the Day of his Ascension, upon which he went with all the Apostles to Mount *Olivet*, where after he had blessed them, and given them a Commission to Preach and to Baptize, he ascended in their sight into Heaven.

RHAMNUSIA. See *Nemesis*, which is the same.

RHEA, otherwise called *Astarte, Ops, Pessinuncia*, &c. made to be the Daughter of *Numitor*, and a Vestal, in whose Person the Ancients confounded several Heathen Goddesses; though *Apuleius* will have them be rather a multitude of Names than a multiplicity of Deities, and she was indeed the *Isis* of the *Egyptians*; though *Diodorus* makes *Osiris* or *Isis* to be descended of her and *Saturn*. See *Cybele*.

RHETORIANS, Hereticks in the fourth Age, who maintained that all Hereticks had Reason on their side, of what Sect soever they were.

ROBIGO, or *Robigus*, A Heathen Goddess to whom the Romans offered Sacrifice, to keep off the Mildew that came upon the Corn, through too much Drought. *Numa Pompilius* was the Author of the Festival called *Robigalia*, which they celebrated in Honour of her about the Month of *April*.

ROGATIONS; Publick Prayers used by Christians three Days before the Feast of *Ascension*: The Custom of these Devotions was begun by *Mamertus*, Bishop of *Vienne* in *Dauphine* in 474. 'Tis said, the design of them was, that the Earthquakes might cease, and to free the People from being disturbed by Wolves, which at that time

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time were very numerous, and did much mischief in the Country; Fasting, and these Rogation Prayers, as they affirmed, removed this Judgment, the Devotions were annually kept on. Afterwards the Council of Orleans, held in 511, declared that these Rogations should be practised all over France, at the same time they were at Vienne: These Processions have since been called the *Little Litany*, or the *Gallican Litany*, to distinguish it from the *Great* or *Roman Litany* introduced by Pope Gregory the Great.

ROHBAN, The Plural of *Rahab*, and the same by the *Mahometans* is often taken in the Singular, and signifies a Person that fears God; and particularly a Monk or Religious Christian engaged by Vows in the Service of God. For though the *Mussulmens* have divers *Sophies* and *Dervishes*, who are a sort of Religionaries amongst them, yet they are confined to the Order or Profession of Vows, though they usually called by this Name all those Holy Persons who lived a retired Life in the Provinces at first conquered by the *Mahometans*.

ROSARY; An Office in the Church of Rome, made up of five or fifteen Tens of Heads (each of the Tens beginning with a *Pater Noster*) to direct them to say so many *Ave Maria's* in Honour of the *Virgin Mary*: This number of *Ave Maria's* is said by them in Commemoration of the five Joyful, five Afflicting, and five Glorious Mysteries, said to be communicated to the Blessed Virgin: The five Joyful Mysteries are made to be the *Annunciation*, her *Visitation* of *Elizabeth*, the Birth of our Saviour, the *Purification*, and our

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Saviour's Disputing with the Doctors in the Temple. The five Afflicting ones are, Our Saviour's Agony in the Garden, his Scourging, his being Crowned with Thorns, his being Oppressed with the weight of the Cross, and his Crucifixion: The five Glorious Mysteries are, the Resurrection of our Saviour, his Ascension, the Descent of the Holy Ghost, his Glorification in Heaven, and her own Assumption. St. Dominick, (as they stile him) was the Author of this Devotion, being (as they would make us believe) encouraged to it by the Apparition of the Blessed Virgin.

ROS-HASCANA, A Word much used in the Writings of the Jews, and signifies the beginning of the Year, a Day they kept Holy. Their Doctors dispute in their *Talmud* about the beginning of the World; some will have it in the Spring, and others in Autumn, our September, which is the time they keep their *Ros-hascana*, or beginning of the Year, abstaining from all manner of Work the two first Days of this their *Tisri*. R. Leo of Modena says, the Jews hold by Tradition, that God Judges on those Days, particularly the Actions of the preceding Year, and for this Reason begin their Penance from the first day of the *Etal*, the foregoing Month, some praying and singing Psalms from break of Day, and a great many fasting and giving Alms, without discontinuing, till the Day of Pardon: These Devotions are most practised the Week before the Feast; on the Eve whereof many wash, and give themselves thirty seven Stripes with a Whip, by way of Discipline, which they call *Makcad*. And some in Germany put on their Burying Habit to mortify them

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themselves the more, and to make them think of the last Judgment.

ROTA, A Jurisdiction of the Court of *Rome*, composed of twelve Prelates, who judge by Appeal of all Matters Ecclesiastical and Civil, arising between the Clergy.

RUMIA, *Rumilia*, or *Rumina*, A false Goddess, invoked by the Heathen *Romans* to take care of their sucking Children, which they sacrificed to her; they used no Wine, but offered Milk and Water mixed with Honey.

RUSSINA, was acknowledged by the ancient *Gentiles* for a Rural or Country Goddess, who presided over all the Labours and all the Diversions of the Country.

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SABAITES, *Sabeans*, or *Sabians*, The Name of an ancient Heathenish Sect. *Rabbi Moses*, who had read several *Arabick* Books unknown to us, containing an exact Account of these *Sabeans*, tells us, that *Abraham* had been educated in the Religion of these *Sabaïtes*, who were the ancient *Chaldeans*, and owned no other Deity but the Sun and Stars, and that *Abraham* made a very strong opposition against this their false Faith, by asserting one only God, the Author of the Universe, and who governed all things by his Providence: And this is the Reason that *Moses* has inserted many things in his Book, which refer to the Opinion and Practices of the *Sabeans* or *Chaldeans*, to keep

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the *Israelites* from embracing them. Father *Ange* of *St. Joseph*, who was a Missionary in the *East*, treats at large concerning these *Sabaïtes*, whom he supposes to be the very same with those he supposes to be the Christians of *St. John*. He tells us also, that they were called *Mendai*, that is, according to their Interpretation, *Bendetrui*, or *Creatures of the Living one*; though others will have *Mendai* to be a *Chaldee* Word, and to signify *Gnostick*, as if those Modern *Sabaïtes* were a remainder of the ancient *Gnosticks*: In defence of this Opinion they tell us, the ancient *Gnosticks* were nominal Christians only, and in reality no other than Philosophers; that they followed the Philosophy and extravagant Conceits of the *Chaldeans* in their Astrology, and that they had the Books of *Adam*, of *Seth*, and many others of the Patriarchs. Besides, they take notice, as of a very singular thing, that the *Chaldee* Language of the *Sabaïtes* doth express all the Vowels with a distinct Literal Character, and they do not write them by way of Abridgment. See *Sabeans*.

SABATHIANS, A sort of Christian Hereticks, so denominated from one *Sabethius* a Jew, and afterwards an Heretical Bishop in the fourth Century; who having been ordained first by *Marcianus* a *Novatian* Bishop, he some time after endeavoured to introduce the Jewish Customs and Ceremonies amongst his Sect; and having drawn two Priests over to his Party, he endeavoured to fix the Celebration of *Easter* on the fourteenth day of the Moon of *March*, contrary to the Ordinance of the Church.

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He began, under pretence of a greater Purity, to set up private Meetings, and to make a Schism; in all which his chief design was to become a Bishop. *Marcianus* being informed of his Proceedings, called a Synod of those of his Sect at *Angouri*, to which he Summoned *Sabathius*; where being come, they demanded of him the reason, why he separated himself from them, and knowing that it was about the Celebration of *Easter*, they determined that the same being a thing indifferent, ought to cause no Division amongst them, and only made *Sabathius* promise upon Oath, that he would never pretend to a Bishoprick; however he still continuing his private Meetings, never rested till he was ordained Bishop by those of his Communion, who were called *Sabathians*, tho' they were not long lived; only about an Age ago the same Name of *Sabathians*, or rather *Sabatarians*, was given to some *Anabaptists*, who observed the *Saturday* like the *Jews*.

SABBATH, a *Hebrew* word that properly signifies rest, as also the Name of our *Saturday*; the observation of this Day was commanded to the *Jews*, that they might continually have it in remembrance, that God had Created the World out of nothing in six Days, and rested the seventh Day from the work that he had made; tho' *Maimonides* gives another reason, for the Institution of the Sabbath, wherein the *Jews* only are concerned, and that was their deliverance from the *Egyptian* Bondage; the solemnity being to put them in mind of their severe usage in that Country, and to represent the rest which God had given them, from their Laborious servitude in *Egypt*.

Some will tell us, the Ancient Fathers, equally observed *Saturday* and *Sunday*, as Days of their Holy Assemblies, and accordingly we shall find still at this Day, that the whole Eastern Church take the last Day of the Week to be a Festival, and therefore never fast upon it.

The *Jews* observe this Day very Religiously, and their *Rabbins* have exactly set down all the particular Works that are forbid on that Day, which are reduced to nine and thirty Heads, every one of which hath his subordinate. And these according to *Rabbi Leo* of *Modena* are, to forbid to plough or till the Ground, to sow, to reap, to bind up into sheaves, to thresh, to winnow, to sift, to grind, to bould or range Meal, to knead, to bake, to twine, to bleach or whiten, to Comb or Card, to spin, to twist, to warp, to tack, to Colour or Dye, to bind or tie, to untie, to sew, to tear or pull in pieces, to build, to pull down, to strike with a Hammer, to hunt or fish, to cut the throat of any thing, to flea, to dress skins or hides, to cut them out for work, to write, to blot or scrape out, to Rule for writing, to light or kindle, to extinguish, to carry any thing from one Place to another. These General Heads include many specialties; for Example, Grinding includes filing, all which dependances or subordinate kinds are determined by the *Rabbies* with much Accuracy; tho' they are forbid to kindle a fire that Day, yet they make use of one that is not a *Jew*, to kindle a fire for them, but they may not dress, or cause any Meat to be dressed for them: They are not allowed to talk about any business, nor of the Price of any thing whatsoever, to agree upon any thing that concern

buying or selling, to give or receive; they may not go alone a Mile from the City and Suburbs. They begin their Sabbath about half an hour before Sun set, and then the observations of their Prohibitions take Place: The Women are bound to light a Lamp in their Chambers, with six, or at least four wicks, which continues burning the most part of the Night; besides they cover a Table with a clean Table Cloth, and set Bread upon it, covering it with a long and narrow piece of Linnen Cloth, which they do, as they say, in Commemoration of the *Manna*, which fell in the same manner, as having the Dew both over and under it, and did not fall on the Sabbath. It's plain from *Suetonius* and others, that the Heathen *Greeks* and *Asiatics* had something resembling the observation of the Sabbath: As the *Jews* kept the last Day of the Week for the Sabbath, the same having been instituted in Commemoration of the finishing of the Creation of the World, and God's resting on that Day, so the Christian Sabbath is solemnized on the first Day of the Week, in remembrance of the Resurrection of our Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ.

SABEANS, The Name of a certain Sect, patched up of *Christianism*, *Judaism*, *Mahometanism*, and Heathenish Superstition: Some Authors call them Christians of St. John the Baptist, because they Honour that Prophet; in reality, they are more Heathens than Christians; they receive Baptism in Commemoration of John's Baptizing Christ, but do not Administer it in the Name of the Holy Trinity; they own four Sacraments, viz. Baptism, the Eucharist, Orders

and Matrimony, and will have nothing to do with those called by the *Papists*, Confirmation, extream unction, and Penance; they do not Pronounce the words of Consecration over the Host, but only some Prayers; they make their Hosts or Wafers of Flour, which they knead into a Paste with Wine and Oyl, and the Wine they make use of in the Sacrament, they draw from Raisins steeped in water, from whence afterwards they press out the juice: As to their Sacrament of Orders, they have Superior and Inferior Ministers, but the Children always succeed the Fathers in the Ministerial function, and in Case of want of Children, their next Relations; the whole Ceremony of their Consecration, consists only in a few Prayers, which another Minister Pronounceth over him, who is to receive that dignity.

Their Matrimonial Ceremonies are these, they oblige the Bride to swear her self a Virgin, after which the Minister Baptized both the Bride and Bridegroom, and placing them back to back, reads some Prayers over them. The Minister as well as the Laicks, are allowed each of them to have two Wives; the Celebration of their Eucharist consists in some Prayers, and in Communicating of their Wafers or Cakes prepared and Consecrated after their way, and of their Wine of Raisins.

Besides the Lord's Day, they observe three Feasts in the Year; the first is in the beginning of the Year, which is Celebrated for three Days together, in memory of *Adam's* Creation: Their second Festival is in the beginning of the fourth Month, which also lasts three Days, in Honour of *John the Baptist*,

Baptist, and their third Feast is at the beginning of the seventh Month, and continues five Days in remembrance of Christ's being Baptized by *John the Baptist*; during these five Days, they are all of them Baptized once every Day, and this last Festival they call *Pendgia*; they own no other Saints but *John the Baptist*, *Zachary* his Father, and *Elizabeth* his Mother, and they Honour Christ only as a Servant of *John*.

They believe Paradise and Hell, and reject Purgatory, and teach, that wicked Men after their Decease, shall pass through a strait way beset on both sides with Lyons, Serpents and Dragons, who will devour them. But that the Good passing the same way, shall not as much as be frightened with those terrible Beasts, but shall through it arrive at Paradise, which they fill with all manner of things pleasing and delightful to Men, and capable of fully satisfying all the senses, following herein the Whims of the *Alcoran*, from whence they have borrowed many of those Fables, which make up a considerable part of their belief; they abstain from eating the flesh of any Beasts that are not killed by some of their own Religion, and their Ministers are their Butchers, for they kill their Poultry, Sheep, Fish, and all other living Creatures they use for food, they refuse to drink out of any Vessel, that hath ever been made use of by any that are not of their Sect, as Judging all other Persons Profane and Wicked.

The Account that *Sir Paul Ricaut* gives of these *Sabeans* is, that they Worship the Sun as the greatest of all the Gods, the Moon as the greatest Goddess, and the Stars

as Inferior Dieties: This Religion hath infected a great Part of the East, *Mahomet* mentions them in his *Alcoran*, and affords the same Privilege to them, as he does to the Christians: These Idolaters are called by several Names, implying the same sort of People, or that differ very little from one another as *Chaldeans*, *Nabatbeans*, *Canaanites*, &c. They are numerous in *Persia*, they seem to have no great persuasion of the Immortality of the Soul, nor of any Punishment, nor reward after this Life; they seldom or never revenge any Injuries done to them, because they esteem them as the natural and necessary Effects of the Heavenly Influences, and are no more provoked by them, than we are at a great shower of Rain falling upon us, or at the heat of the Sun in the midst of Summer, their Priests are called *Sheicks*, that is, Old Men, and are obedient to other higher Priests, Monks or Bishops, whom they call *Chauzebra*; they believe that *Issa*, that is, Jesus is the Soul of God, that is to say his well beloved, and that he never dyed; the Jews having Crucified a *Phantom* instead of him; they observe three kinds of Offerings or Sacrifices; the first being Bread, Wine and Oyl; the second a Hen, and the third a Sheep.

SABELLIANS, Christian Hereticks and the followers of *Sabellius*, who was the Disciple of *Noatius* of *Smyna*, and Published his Errors about the Year 260. He taught that there was no distinction between the Persons of the Trinity, but that they were all one, as the Body, Soul and Spirit, make but one Man; the Consequence of which was, that the Father and Holy Ghost, must have suffered

Death as well as the Son, and *Epiphanius* says, *Sabellius* sucked this Error from some Apocryphal Books, and more especially from that which is called the Gospel of the *Egyptians*, where our Saviour is introduced teaching his Apostles, that the Father and the Son are but one and the same Person.

SACCOPHORI, A Sect of *Messalian* Hereticks, so called, because they frequently covered themselves with great Sacks; See *Messalians*.

SACRIFICE, Worship given to God by the oblation of some victim; they were first offered by the Fathers of Families, or the Eldest Persons in every House, but afterwards Priests were ordained to that function; the first Sacrifice mentioned in the Holy Writ, is that of *Abel*, who offered Sheep and young Calves to God, whilst (and offered but Fruit) the second is *Noah*, after his coming out of the Ark, the third *Melchisedec*, when he came to meet *Abraham*, and offered Bread and Wine to the Lord for him: God commanded *Moses* to prepare the Sacrifice of the Paschal Lamb, and the Ceremonies of the Jewish Sacrifices were set down by that Prophet, according to the order of God himself: *Aaron* was the first high Priest of the *Jews*, and after this appointment, Sacrifices were only offered by the Priests in the Tabernacle, or the Temple.

Before the Victim designed for Sacrifice was offered, the Person for whom it was offered laying his Hand upon the Head of it, made a publick Confession of his Sins, upon which the Beast was slain, head and cut into six or nine Parts: The Priest took off the Blood, and sprinkled with it the four Horns of the Altar, at the foot of which he

poured forth the rest that remained in the Cup: This done, if the Sacrifice, was a whole burnt offering, the Beast was wholly consumed by Fire, whereas in other Sacrifices, they only burnt the Entrails and Fat about them; the Parts that were not burnt, were for the Priests, and for the People who made a Feast therewith, when the Sacrifice was over; there were five sorts of Victims among the *Jews*, of Cows, Bulls and Calves. 2. Of Sheep. 3. Of Goats. 4. Of Pigeons. 5. Of Turtles.

Besides these Sacrifices of living Creatures, they had also oblations of fine wheat Flower, with Oyl and Incense; In which oblations the Priest laid all the Incense upon the Altar, with an handful of Flower and a little Oyl, to be there Consumed, and the remainder was for himself, according to the Law of God: Lastly, they had their drink-offering, wherein they presented Wine and Oyl, which they poured forth upon the Altar, and this was called *Libations*: None was permitted to have any Leven or Honey in their oblations, whereas there was none but had salt. As for the Sacrifices of the Heathens, if we believe *Porphyry*, they did not anciently Sacrifice Animals, but the Fruits of the Earth, or Perfumes, which were altogether Bloodless Sacrifices, and he says upon the Relation of *Theophrastus*, that the *Egyptians* were the first who made an offering of first Fruits to their Diety, and not of Incense and Perfume; much less of Animals, but of plain Herbs, for while Men lived upon Pulse, they minded not the offering of Beasts in Sacrifice; but when they came to offer Animals, they threw Flower and Salt upon them, the Fire and the

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Knives. The most common Victims were Sheep, Lambs, Oxen, Cows and Bulls, because they were Mens most usual Food. *Ovid* observes, that *Perseus* sacrificed Horses to the Sun; the *Greeks* an Hind to *Diana*, and the *Arabians* Dogs; that an Ass was sacrificed to *Priapus*; and then he proceeds to Birds, which, he says, were offered in Sacrifices to the Gods, in revenge for the Injuries they sometimes did them, or the displeasure they conceived at their discovering of their Secrets by several sorts of Auguries, though there were none mentioned but the Dove. Gossings and Cocks were offered to none but *Nox*, and that in the Night time.

The most remarkable of all the Pagan Sacrifices, were those wherein Men were offered. *Pausanias* says, that *Lycaon*, the second King of *Arcadia*, built the City of *Lycosura*, and there sacrificed Men to *Jupiter*, and that from thence he took occasion to say, That he made that God to eat Humane Flesh; and *Porphyry* says, that Humane Immolations continued in *Greece* to the time of *Lycurgus*, who changed this barbarous Custom, and brought the People to be content with the Blood of some young Men, that were whipped for that purpose.

Pausanias speaks of an Annual Sacrifice made to *Diana Triclaria*, of a young Boy and Girl by the Oracles Command, in order to extricate the incestuous Familiarity that passed between a Virgin Priestess of this Temple and a young Man. The *Gauls*, according to *Strabo*, in order to expiate the Publick Sins, and avert the Misfortunes wherewith they were menaced, every Year threw some body

down headlong from a high Rock, after they had first tied a great many Feathers and live Birds to keep him up in the Air, and that they received him below as gently as could be. *Dionysius* of *Halicarnassus* says, there were Humane Sacrifices offered to *Saturn* in the first Ages, not only at *Tyre* and *Carthage*, but also in *Italy*, and that *Hercules* abolished that Custom, by perswading People to substitute the Effigies of Men instead of real Men. *Plutarch* says, the Parents Sacrificed their own Children, and those that had none bought some; that they imposed a Fine upon those that could not forbear shedding of Tears at so horrible a Sight, play'd upon Flutes, and beat Drums, that so the Cries of those innocent Victims might not be heard.

The Pagans, says *Vigonere*, had three sorts of Sacrifices; viz. Publick, Private, and Foreign; the first were performed at the Publick Charge, for the Good of the State, to render Thanks unto the Gods for some Signal Favours, or to pray unto them for averting the Misfortunes or other Calamities, wherewith a People or City were menaced or afflicted: The private Sacrifices were made by each Family; and Foreign ones were so named, when the Tutelary Gods of Cities and conquered Provinces were brought to *Rome*, together with their Mysteries and Ceremonies: They were offered either for the Benefit of the Living or Good of the Dead; and these last, according to *Festus*, were called *Humana Sacra*, or *Humanum Sacrificium quod Mortui Causa fiebat*; for the Ancients, as the Papists do now, had their Feast of the Dead in *February*. The Sacrifices

fices varied according to the Diversity of the Heathen Gods, worshipped by the Ancients; for there were those that were offered to the *Celestial, Infernal, Marine* and *Terrestrial* Gods; to the first of which they sacrificed white Victims of an odd number; to the second, black ones, with a Libation of pure Wine and warm Milk, which were poured into the Gutters, with the Victims Blood: To the third they sacrificed Black and White ones on the Sea-side, threw their Entrails as far they could into the Water, and poured some Wine on.

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Constituam ante aras voti reus, ex-
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Porriciam in fluctus & vina li-
quentia fundam.*

To the fourth they sacrificed White Victims, and raised Altars to them in the same manner as the Celestial Gods: To the fifth they only offered Wine and Honey: And as for the Gods of the Air, they kindled a Fire upon their Altars, where the Body of the Victim was burnt, the same being powdered with Salt, Paste, and Incense: The Victim was to be without Blemish, sometimes finely trimmed up, the Priest being clad in his Sacerdotal Habit, and accompanied with the Sacrificers and other Attendants, and washed and purified according to the Ceremonies prescribed him, began the Sacrifice with making a loud Confession of his Unworthiness, acknowledging himself to be guilty of divers Sins, for which he begged pardon of the Gods, hoping that without

their having regard thereto, they would be pleased to grant him his Requests: This Confession being over, the Priest cried aloud to the People to compose themselves and mind their Sacrifice; and a kind of Verger went forthwith through the Temple, and made all those withdraw who were not instructed in the Mysteries of Religion, or such as were excommunicated. This done, and Silence required, the Priest blest the Water, in order to sprinkle it with the ordinary Ceremonies, either to throw the Wood-Ashes into it, that had been used in burning the Sacrifice, or to extinguish the *Teda* or Sacrificial Torch therein. He first sprinkled the Altars, then all the People, with this *Lustral* Water, while the *Chorus* of Musicians sung Hymns in Honour of the Gods; then they perfumed the Altars, Statues of the Gods, and Victims with Incense, the Priest turning his Face to the *East*, and laying hold on the Horns of the Altar, read the Prayers out of the Book of Ceremonies, and began them with *Janus* and *Vesta*, as believing there could be no access had to the other Gods but by their Interposition. After this Preface to those two Deities, the Person that officiated began a long Prayer, which he directed to the God to whom the Sacrifice was made, and afterwards to all the rest of the Gods, whose chief Vertues he recounted, and whom he pray'd to be propitious and favourable to those for whom the Sacrifice was offered; and there was a kind of Oration made with the Prayers, for the Prosperity of the Emperor and the Government: And *Apuleius* makes a Prayer to the Goddess

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Goddeſs *Iſis*, conſiſting of Thankſgiving, for her having reſtored unto him his former ſhape.

Theſe Ceremonies being ended, the chief Sacrificer being ſet down, and the reſt ſtanding, the Magiſtrates or private Perſons, who offered Sacrifices, came before him and preſented him with the Firſt Fruits and Victim, and made ſometimes a ſhort Diſcourſe or kind of Complement. As every one came to preſent his Offering, he went to waſh his Hands in a place in the Temp'le appointed for that purpoſe. Laſtly, when the Offering was made, the Prieſt that officiated, perfumed the Victims with Incenſe and ſprinkled them with *Lustral* Water, and having waſhed his Hands and got up again to the Altar, he prayed for acceptance to the God to whom he was going to offer; and in the cloſe of the Offertory and Prayer, he came down the Steps of the Altar, and from the Hands of one of his Aſſiſtants, received the ſacred *Paste*, that was made of Barley or Wheat-Flour, mixed with Salt and Water, which he throws upon the Head of the Victim, ſprinkling a little Wine upon it, and ſaid *Let this Victim be improved and honoured by this Wine, that it may be the more pleaſing to the Gods.* This done, they pulled off the Hair from between the Horns of the Victim, from whence they predicted good or bad Omens. We ſhall not enter upon the particulars hereof; but obſerve, that the Sacrifices conſiſted of four principal Parts: The firſt of which is called *Libatio*, or the powring all the Wine upon the Victim: The ſecond *Immolatio*, when after they had ſcattered the Crumbs of ſalted *Paste* thereon, they killed

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it; the third *Redditio*, when they offered the Entrails to the Gods; and the fourth was called *Litatio*, when the Sacrifice was perfected and accompliſhed, without any Salt.

SADDUCES, A certain Sect among the *Jews*, which took its Riſe from *Zadoc*; they denied the Exiſtence of Spirits, the Immortality of the Soul, and the Reſurrection of the Body. And as for their other Opinions, they agreed with the *Samaritans*, except only in this, that they were partakers of all the *Jewiſh* Sacrifices, which the *Samaritans* abhorred: They obſerved the Law to enjoy the Temporal Bleſſings it promiſed, and to eſcape the Punishment denounced againſt its Tranſgreſſors. They rejected all manner of Traditions, and abſolutely denying Fatality, aſſerted, that as it was impoſſible for God to do any Evil, ſo neither did he take notice of that which Men committed; and thence concluded, that it was wholly in our Will to do good or Evil. Though this Sect was not very numerous, yet it was conſiderable, as being compoſed of Perſons of eminent Degree; and there was an irreconcilable Hatred between theſe and the *Phariſees*.

SAILETTES, A Chriſtian *Chartreuse* Convent of Ladies of Quality on the Borders of *Dauphine* in *France*, the Nuns whereof make Profeſſion of their Rule before the Biſhop of *Grenoble*; for when they make their Vow they preſent themſelves before him, with a Wax Taper in their Hands, adorned with Eſcutcheons of their Families, who puts a Ring on their Finger, and a Crown upon their Heads, like unto that which

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is given to the Daughters of France.

SALII, The Heathen Priests of the false Deity *Mars*, instituted at Rome by *Numa*: This Priesthood was very August, and officiated by the chief Persons in the Empire, who were assumed into the number of the Twelve, whereof they consisted.

SAMARATH, The Name of a Sect of *Banians* in the *East-Indies*, who are a sort of *Pythagoreans*, who believe the Pre-existence and Transmigration of Souls: They say God, whom they call *Permiseer*, governs the World by three Lieutenants; the first of whom they call *Brama*, who sends the Souls into the Bodies they are designed for by *Permiseer*; the second is *Buffina*, who teaches Men to live according to the Commands of God, which they have writ down in four Books; he also superintends the growth of Corn and all Vegetables; the third is called *Maiti*, who has Power over the dead; and according to their good or evil Actions, send them into a Body to do more or less Penance: And when their Penance hath had its full effect, he presents the purified Souls to *Permiseer*, who receives them into the number of his Servants. The Wives of this Sect cheerfully sacrifice themselves upon their Husbands Funeral Piles, as being fully persuaded that for so doing they shall enjoy seven-fold in the other World, whatsoever they have renounced here. As soon as any of their Women are delivered, they set before the new-born Infant an Inkhorn, with Paper and Pen, to intimate that *Buffiana* will write the Law of *Permiseer* in its Understanding; and if it be a Boy, they

add a Bow and Arrows, as a Pre-sage of his being fortunate in War.

SAMMAEL, according to the *Jewish Cabalists*, is the Name of the Devil that seduced *Eve*, whom they also call the *Angel of Death*, and *Prince of Devils*. *R. Moses* tells us, that by this Name they commonly understand *Satan*, who would have hindered *Abraham* from sacrificing his Son *Isaac*, and endeavoured to make *Isaac* disobedient to his Father.

SANCTUS, or *Sancus*, and *Sangus*, and *Semo-sanctus*, and *Fidius*, according to *Ovid*, was a false Deity peculiar to the *Sabines*, which they communicated to the *Romans*. *St. Augustin* thinks him to be the first King of the *Sabines*, who was Deified after his Death. Others take him to be the same as *Hercules*; but we know nothing certain of him, nor what sort of Adoration was paid him.

SANHEDRIN, an Assembly of Men sitting, and more particularly of Judges, among the *Jews*, consisting of Priests and Laymen, who judged of all Matters relating either to the Civil or the Ecclesiastical Power Supreamly; into the Particulars of which we shall not enter at this time.

SANITAS, *Health*, A Heathen Deity, whose Worship, according to *Pausanias*, was very common in *Greece*; and he says, that there was an Altar for *Jason*, *Venus*, *Panacer*, *Health*, and *Minerva*, in the Temple of *Amphiarus*: However we must suppose, that the Pagans pretended no more than to worship the Deity that bestowed and preserved Health. Her Temple at Rome stood in the sixth Ward of the City; and *Domitian* built a little

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little Temple for her, with this Inscription,

Saluti Augusti.

SATURN; A Pagan Deity called *the Father of the Gods*, and reputed to be the Son of *Cælus* and *Vesta*, and the younger Brother of *Titan*, and the Father of *Jupiter*, who dethroned him; upon which he fled into *Italy*, and brought the Golden Age along with him: There are many mysterious Fables concerning him, which indeed composed the Heathen Divinity. Some pretend, that *Saturn* was the Emblem of time, and that he brought the Golden Age along with him into *Italy*, because he brought the Inhabitants to till the Ground, Civilized them, and gave them Laws and Moral Precepts. *Bochart* supposes *Saturn* to have been *Noah*; but the learned Bishop *Cumberland* hath proved him to be *Cham*, *Noah's* youngest Son. Some will have him to have been *Adam*, because he was the Father of Men, and first Gardiner and Tiller of the Ground; that he was called *Son of Heaven*, as being formed by the Hand of God; That the Golden Age in his time, was on Earth, before he sinned; and finally, that according to *Sibylla Erythraea*, *Saturn* was the first that reigned in the World, which may properly be said of *Adam*. They anciently sacrificed a Man to this false Deity: But *Hercules* abolished this cruel Custom, and instead thereof appointed them to offer Statues made of Plaister unto him.

SATURNALIA, Festivals Celebrated in Honour of the false God *Saturn*, kept first by the *Romans* on the 14th of the Calends of Ja-

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nuary, but *Julius Cæsar* having added two Days to this Month, it came to be kept on the 16th before the Calends, which made *Augustus* order the Feast to be Celebrated for three Days together, and sometimes for seven: This Feast was instituted by *Janus*, not long after the Death of *Saturn*, and was afterwards observed by the *Greeks* and *Romans*: During the time it lasted, the Slaves had a Privilege to sit at Table with their Masters, which they did in Commemoration of the Golden Age of *Saturn*, when Men lived in Common without difference of States or Conditions: At this Festival the *Romans* were wont to send Presents to one another, and particularly Wax-Candles, and 'tis supposed that this was the Original of our New-Years Gifts: They Sacrificed bare-headed to *Saturn*, the Ceremony of covering the Head with a Veil, being not in use till a great while after; yet this Ceremony of putting on a Veil, when they Sacrificed to other Gods, was not used with regard to the Goddess of Honour, whose Sacrifices were bare headed like those of *Saturn*: While the *Saturnalia* lasted, it was not lawful to take up Arms, nor to punish any Criminals.

SATYRS, A sort of Monsters, feigned by the Heathen Poets to be *Demi-Gods*, living in Forests and Mountains; they were represented with Horns on their Heads, erected Ears, a tall Goats Feet, and Hairy all over: There are a great many extravagant Notions concerning these Satyrs, but none so much as those of the *Rabbies*, some of them foolishly pretending, that the Sabbath surprizing God when forming these Creatures, occasioned his leaving them imperfect; that there-

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therefore they had such hatred for that Day, that they always retired into Woods and Desarts upon it, from whence they came to torment Mankind.

SCHACÆ, A Heathen Goddess of the *Babylonians*, who was the same as *Ops* or *Terra* amongst the *Romans*, her Festival was Celebrated five Days together, during which the Servants were Masters, and the Masters obey'd.

SCHEGH, An able Preacher that belongs to Royal *Mosques*, or Churches in *Turkey* amongst the *Mahometans*; they are Men commonly constant in their Devotions, abstemious in their Diet, of a cheerful Countenance, and engaging Behaviour, great Lovers of Harmony and Musick, &c. They are likewise Generous and Compassionate of humane frailties, not Covetous, take great delight in the Ingenious Aspect of Youth, from whence they Collect matter of Contemplation on the Comeliness of the increased Beauty: They are addicted to entertain Charitable Affection for their Neighbour, because they say he is God's Creature, from whom our Love is Converted to our Creator; they procure their Disciples, as much as they can, to be Men of Comely presence, and instruct them in all the Rules of Abstinence, Gravity, and other Vertues most appropriated to their Sect: In short, they deserve the best Character of all the *Turks*, and 'tis pity they were not Born within the Pale of the Christian Church, and instructed in the Mysteries of it, since they seem in some sort of measure to be prepared with some previous dispositions towards it.

SCHERIF, An *Arabick* word, that in general signifies, of noble,

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high Birth or Dignity, and is an Epithet, or particular Title, that those Persons retain, who are the descendants of the false Prophet *Mahomet*, by *Hali* his Son in Law, and Daughter *Fatima*: there were several of these *Scherifs*, who erected particular Dynasties in *Africa*, the *Edressites* were *Scherifs*, and the Race of Princes, who now Reign in *Fez* and *Marocco*, bear also the Name of *Scherif*: There were likewise formerly *Scherifs* at *Mecca* and *Medina*, to whom the *Turkish Sultan*, who is Lord of *Arabia*, left some sort of Sovereignty, he contenting himself only with the Title of *Homi al Harameni*, Protector of the two sacred Cities of *Medina* and *Mecca*.

SHIITES, or *Schii*, an ancient *Mahometan* Sect opposed by the Subjects of the whole *Ottoman* Empire, as the most Heretical of all other, because they prefer *Ali* before *Mahomet* in the Prophetical Office, and restrain the Gift of Prophecy to the Natural Line derived from *Hali*, and that none deserved the Title of a Prophet, who was guilty of Sin, tho of a lower degree, some of which Professors called *Alnosairi*, affirm, that God appear'd in the form of *Ali*, and with his Tongue Proclaimed the most hidden Mysteries of Religion; and some have gone so far as to attribute Divine Honours to their Prophet, whose return they expect in the Clouds, and have fixed that belief as an Article of their Faith, and therefore they keep a fine Horse ready Saddled, &c. for him in the *Mosque* of *Cusa*; others hold that he is in a *Grotto* near *Cusa*, where he will remain until the Day of Judgment, and then come forth to Convert all People to the *Alcoran*; and there are some among them

them that expect the return of *Mahomet* the Son of *Hanife*, who, they say, lives still on the Mountain of *Radua*, from whence he is to come to fill the Earth with Piety and Justice; and others expect the coming of *Mahomet* who is to be their last King, according to this Prediction of their Prophet, *The World will last until there be a King of my Family, and Name over the Arabians*: The Orthodox *Mahometans* in opposition to the Sect of the *Shiites*, call themselves, their Religion, and particular Profession *Sunnites*: See *Chawarigi*.

SCHISM, Is properly a Division in, or separation from the Christian Church; and that between the Greek and Roman Church was occasioned. 1. By the Pride of the Popes, who would needs arrogate to themselves, the Title of universal Bishops contrary to the Canons, Patriarchal Rights and Ancient usages, to which the Patriarch of *Constantinople* would not yield, being by the Synod of *Chalcedon*, Judged equal to the Pope, and both of them looked upon themselves as Oecumenical Patriarchs. 2. By the Controversie about the Procession of the Holy Ghost, which was moderately debated at first; as appears by the 3d, 4th, 6, 8, 11, 12, and 13th Council of *Toledo*, wherein it was added to the *Constantinopolitan Creed*, that the Holy Ghost proceeded both from the Father and Son; but afterwards the Bishop of *Rome* laying hold on this Controversie, it produced innumerable disputes between the Greek and Latin Church, which came to a great height in the 9th and 11th Ages. 3. By the Canons of the Council of *Quini-Sexta*, which were contrary to the Practice and Institution of the

Roman Church in many things, so that they were Condemned by Pope *Sergius*, who inveighed against the Councils of *Constantinople*, from whence arose many Controversies between the two Churches; but the *Greeks* did not much regard the opposition of the *Latins*.

In the ninth Century the Controversie rose higher, and broke out into an open Schism. 1. About the Worship of Images, and the second Council of *Nice*. 2. About *Photius* and *Ignatius*, the Patriarchs of *Constantinople*; Pope *Nicholas* opposing the deposition of the latter, and the *Greeks* Confirming it. 3. About the *Bulgarians* newly Converted, the Pope pretending they ought to be under his Jurisdiction, and the Patriarch of *Constantinople*, claiming them as belonging to him. 4. About the Procession of the Holy Ghost: The *Greeks* in their 8th Council having struck out of their Confession, that he also proceeded from the Son: And in the 10th and 11th Ages, there were new Controversies about unleavened Bread, fasting on the Sabbath Day, Purgatory, the universal supremacy of the Pope, Celibacy of the Clergy and Liturgy; neither did the *Greeks* believe Transubstantiation, and they Communicated in both Kinds: *Sisinnius* the Patriarch, did also Confirm the procedure of *Photius* against the *Latins*.

Besides these, they also disagreed about Blood, things strangled, and *Lent*; hence followed mutual Excommunications between the two Churches, and Pope *Gregory* the Great declared against the Title of *Universal Bishop*. In the 12th Century the Cause was
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more violent about the Cause of the Separation, the Power of the Pope, &c. In the 13th the *Greek Church* opposed the Pope's Supremacy, and the *Roman Church* calling her self *Apostolical*, *Catholick*, and the *Mother Church*, *Transubstantiation*, *Adoration*, and *carrying about of the Host*, accusing the Church of *Rome* with Corruption of Doctrine, Novelty, Heresie, and separation from ancient *Rome*. In this Age an Union was attempted with the *Greek Church*, but in vain. In the 14th Century an Union was again designed; though without effect. In short, the *Greeks* so much hated the Tyranny of the Church of *Rome*, that they chose rather to be tributary to the *Turks* than to submit to the Pope. As for the Schism in the *West* begun in 1378. which brought up Anti-Popes as well as Popes, 'tis a long Story, and such as perhaps the Protestant Reader would think tedious to peruse; and so I shall omit it, at least, in this place.

SCRIPTURES, or the Word of God, written by Divinely inspired Pen-men for Instruction of the Church of God; he himself having writ the Law in two Tables. Moses was the first Man who wrote, and the last was *John the Evangelist*: the ordinary Divisions of the old Testament into *Moses*, the *Prophets*, and the *Psalms*; and that of the New Testament into *Historical*, *Dogmatical* and *Prophetical*, being well enough known, we shall only mention their Subdivisions into Chapters and Verses; the first Author of which is said to have been a Monk, named *Hugo de Sancto Caro*, a *Dominican*, afterwards made a Cardinal. He was a *Burgundian*, and at

the same time he performed this Work, which was about 1240 or 1250, he also wrote a Concordance. This Division into Chapters and Verses hath been since imitated by the *Greeks*, and even by the *Jews* themselves, but in a different manner. See *Bible* and *Testament*.

SEBUCIANS, A Sect among the *Samaritans*, who changed the times appointed by God for the three principal Festivals of the *Jews*, celebrating *Easter* at the beginning of *Autumn*, the Feast of *Pentecost* towards the end of it, and that of *Tabernacles* in the Month of *March*. See *Samaritans*.

SEGETIA, or *Segesta*, A Hea-then Goddess worshipped by the *Romans*, whom they supposed took Care of the Corn, and all the other Fruits of the Earth: and she was one of those Dieties they called *Salutares*.

SELEUCIANI, Christian Hereticks, who had their Rise from *Seleucus* and *Hernias* in the IVth Century, they held God to be Corporeal matter, to be Eternal, and stigmatized those they Baptized with a red hot Iron in the forehead.

SEMENTINÆ FERIÆ, *Pagan Festivals* instituted in *Seed-Time*, in order to pray unto the Gods to vouchsafe them a plentiful Harvest.

SEMI-ARRIANS, The *Arrian* Sect was divided into two Principal Parties; the one of which sticking more closely to the Opinion of their Master, maintained that the Son of God was unlike the Father *Ἀνόμοιος*, and of this Party was *Eunomius*, the other Party were of those who refused to receive the word *Consubstantial*, yet

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yet acknowledged the Son of God *ὁμοῦς* of a like substance or essence with the Father, and therefore were called *Semi-Arians*, that is, half *Arians*; this Party made the Majority in the Councils of *Rimini* and *Seleucia*.

SEMI-PELAGIANS, or *Masilienses*, a sort of Christian Hereticks, who endeavoured to find a medium betwixt the *Pelagians* and the Orthodox; they had their Origin in *France* about 430. their Principal favourers were *Cassianus*, a Disciple of *Chrysostom*, *Faustus*, Abbot of *Lyre*, *Vincentius*, Bishop of the same, &c. Their agreement with the *Pelagians* was in the Power of free will, at least as to the beginning of Faith and Conversion, and to the Co-operation of God and Man, Grace and Nature, as to Predestination, from fore-knowledge and universal Grace, and the Possibility of the Apostacy of the Saints: Some of them also would mollify those Opinions, and maintained only the Predestination of Infants from a fore-knowledge of the Life they would lead; the great opposers of this Heresie were *St. Augustin*, *Pope Celestine*, *Fulgentius*, &c. The Original of the Predestinarian Heresie in this Age, is denied by *Jansenius* and others, as well as Protestants, and looked upon as a fiction of the *Semi-Pelagians*.

SEMONES, A sort of *Demi-Gods* of the Heathens: *Fulgentius* in his treatise of ancient words, would have the *Semones* to be the certain Gods, who were not of the Number of the Celestial Dieties, but such as were *Demi-Gods*, *quasi semi-homines*.

SENTINUS, The Name of a Heathen Diety so called, because the Pagans vainly believed him to

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be the giver of the faculty of feeling, to Children in their Mothers Wombs.

SEPHATI or *Sepharites*, an ancient *Mahometan* Sect, and great Antagonists to that of the *Moatazali*, and assign to God eternal Attributes of Power, Knowledge, Life, &c. and some of them proceed so grossly far, that they frame Conceptions of Corporeal Organs of the senses in him; affirming that those Expressions of Gods sitting on his Throne, Creation of the World, Anger against Sin and the like, are to be taken in a literal sense: And yet the Doctors seem not to agree herein; some defining a Body to be the same as *Per se subsistens*, denying it to be an essential property of a Body, to be circumscribed and finite; while others conclude it is enough to say God is great, without any Argument of his being Circumscribed or determined to any particular Place; and the soberer sort amongst them, forbid their Scholars to make Comparison of the senses in God, with those of the Creatures; and at length being urged by their Adversaries the *Moatazali*, have thus explained themselves; that the God which they worshipped was a Figure visible, and an object of the sight, consisting of Spiritual and Corporeal Parts, to which local motion might be agreeable; but that his Flesh and Blood, Eyes and Ears, Tongue and Hands were not of any similitude with Created substances, but were of another Crasis and Mixture, which subjected them to no Distemper nor Corruption; for Proof of which they cite *Mahomet's* words; *That God Created Man after his own likeness*, and all other Examples drawn from the holy Scriptures, where-

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with the *Alcoran* is filled, and where in familiar Expressions, the Divinity is pleased to Condescend to the Infirmary of human Capacity.

SEPHIRATH, A *Hebrew* word, signifying Numerations or Numbrings, which Name they give to the ten Names or Attributes of God mentioned in the Scripture, of which they have writ several Treatises: The Names of these *Sephiraths* are Crown, Wisdom, Understanding, Mercy, Power, Beauty, Victory, Praise, Glory, Foundation, Kingdom; and above all these they place that which they call *Ensofb*, that is, Infinity.

SEPTUAGINT, A Name commonly given to the Translators of the Old Testament into *Greek*, at the command of *Ptolomy Philadelphus*, King of *Egypt*, about 300 Years before the Birth of Christ; which Interpreters were sent by the High Priest *Eleazer*, who chose out of every Tribe six of the most Learned in *Greek* and *Hebrew*: *Jerom* assures us, they Translated only the five Books of *Moses*, and *Josephus* and the *Talmudists*, are of the same mind; but most of the Ancient Fathers are of Opinion, the seventy Translated the whole Bible, and affirm, that the King shut up these Interpreters in different Chambers, to see how much their Translations differed, which upon Examination were all found to agree; and *Justin Martyr* adds, that he himself did see at *Alexandria*, the Ruines of the Buildings that Contained all these little Apartments; but *St. Augustin* and others oppose it.

This Translation Contributed much to the Conversion of the Gentiles, which *Eusebius* of *Cesarea* observes as a singular Provi-

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dence, alledging that the *Jews* would not have suffered any Translations after the coming of Christ, or at least would have imposed Corrupt Translations on the World.

SERAPIS: See *Isis* and *Osiris*.

SERAPIES, Household Gods of the Ancient *Aegyptians*, some of whose Idols they placed in their Famous *Pyramids*, their Office being, according to them, to preserve the Corps deposited there, and Transport the Souls to Heaven: Their Images were Ingraven from top to bottom with *Hieroglyphicks*, which the *Egyptians* accounted sacred.

SERPENT, An Animal to whom the Heathens gave Divine Adoration; they kept Serpents in Baskets made of Bulrushes and Ozier twigs, which they Consecrated to *Bacchus*, *Ceres* and *Proserpina*: *Epiphanius* speaks of a sort of Hereticks called *Ophites*, who in their Temples kept a Serpent in a Chest, worshipped, kissed it, and fed it with Bread: The *Aegyptians* kept one of them in their Temples, and especially in those of *Serapis* and *Isis*: *Aesculapius*, the God of Physick, was worshipped under the form of a great Serpent, and *Justin Martyr*, who had been a *Pagan*, upbraiding them with their superstitions, says, you represent next unto those whom you call Gods, a Serpent, as a thing that is very mysterious; and *Clemens* of *Alexandria* in the Celebration of the *Bacchanalia*, affirms, that those who assisted thereat, placed Serpents round their Bodies, and beamed their Faces with the Blood of the He-Goats, which were Sacrificed to that unclean Diety.

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SERVITÆ, or *Servants of the Virgin Mary's*, A Religious Order of Christians instituted at *Florence* in 1256. They follow'd the Rule of *St. Austin*: *Benet*, Bishop of that City, approved of the Institution, which was since confirmed by *Clement V.* in 1262. This Congregation of the Order of *St. Austin* is different from another called the Order of *Penance*, which is of that of *St. Francis*, confirmed by *Honorius V.* in 1285.

SETHIANS or *Sethinians*, Christian Hereticks, a Branch of the *Valentinians*: They held that *Cain* and *Abel* were created by two Angels; and that the latter being killed, the supreme Power would have *Seth* made as a pure Original; and that the Angels by their mutual Impurities drew on the Flood, which destroyed their wicked Off-spring; but some of them having crept into the Ark, gave a new Origin to wicked Men: They wrote many Books entituled *Seth*, and some bearing the Names of the other Patriarchs: They gave out, that *Christ* was either *Seth* or his Representative.

SEVERIANS, certain Christian Hereticks, whose first Patron was *Tatianus*, and were afterwards defended by *Severus*, from whom they were thus denominated: They were altogether against Marriage.

SIGALEON, The Name of an Idol of the *Egyptians*, worshipped in the Temple of *Isis* and *Serapis*, in the Form of a young Man keeping his Mouth shut with his Finger, as an Emblem of *Silence*, and accordingly was taken for the God of *Secresie* or *Silence*. Authors generally agree, that *Sigaleon*, was the same as *Harpocrates*, and that the *Egyptians* used both these Names

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indifferently to signify the God of *Silence*.

SIMON MAGUS. See *St. Peter*.

SOSINIANS: A Sect of Christians (if they may be so called) denominated from *Socinus* the Author of it, who died in 1604. He held that the *Arrians* had given too much to *Christ*, asserting he was meer Man, had no Existence before *Mary*, denied openly the Pre-existence of the World, denied that the Holy Ghost was a distinct Person, and maintained, that the Father lone was truly and properly God, exclusive of the Son and Holy Ghost, alledging, that the Name of *God* given to *Christ* in the Scriptures, signified no more than that God the Father had given him a Sovereign Power over all Creatures, and that in consequence of this Priviledge, Men and Angels ought to adore him. To maintain this Delusion, and to avoid the force of that Text, *John 3. 13.* That no Man hath ascended up to Heaven but he that came down from Heaven, he feigned that *Christ* took a Journey to Heaven after Baptism, and came down again: He denied the Redemption of *Christ*, saying, 'That what he ' did for Men was only to give ' them a Pattern of Heroick Vertue, and to seal his Doctrine by ' his Death. Original Sin, Grace and Predestination passed for Chimeras with him. The Sacraments he esteemed inefficacious Ceremonies. He denyed the Immensity of God, ascribing to him a particular Corner of Heaven, and alledging, that he knew only necessary Effects. It's also charged upon the *Socinians*, that they believe the Death and Resurrection of the Soul to be judged with the

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Body, with this difference, that the Righteous shall be raised to Eternal Happiness, and the wicked condemned to Fire, which shall be Eternal, but consumes the Body and Soul of the Wicked in a certain time, proportion'd to their Merits: But most of these they do not pretend absolutely necessary to be believed.

In the Works of *Socinus* himself, *Lubbertius*, *Crellius*, *Volkellius*, *Ostorodius* and *Racovian* Catechism, these Principles are to be found ;
 ' That Man, before his Fall, was
 ' naturally Mortal, and had no Original Righteousness ; That no
 ' Man, by the Light of Nature, can
 ' have any Knowledge of God ;
 ' That there is no Original Sin in
 ' us, as it imports Concupiscence
 ' or Deformity of Nature ; That
 ' we have a Free-will to do good,
 ' and may here fulfil the Law ;
 ' That God hath no Fore-knowledge of Contingencies, but alternately ; That the Causes of
 ' Predestination are not in God,
 ' but in us ; That he predestinates
 ' no particular Person to Salvation ;
 ' That God could justly pardon
 ' our Sins without Satisfaction ;
 ' That Christ died for himself,
 ' that is, not for his Sins (*for he was without Sin*) but for that
 ' Mortality and Infirmities of our
 ' Nature, which he assumed ;
 ' That Christ became not our
 ' High-Priest, nor Immortal, nor
 ' Impassible, before he ascended
 ' into Heaven ; That Death Eternal, is nothing but a perpetual continuance in Death, or
 ' Annihilation ; That Everlasting Fire is so called from its
 ' Effect, which is the eternal Extinction or Annihilation of the
 ' Wicked, who shall be found alive at the last Day ; That Christ's

Incarnation is against Reason,
 ' and cannot be proved by Scripture ; That Christ and the Holy
 ' Ghost are not God ; That
 ' there is no Trinity of Persons,
 ' and that the Old Testament is
 ' needless for a Christian.

SOL. See *Sun*.

SOLITAURALIA ; Heathen Festivals instituted by *Servius Tullius*, King of *Rome*, in Honour of the false Diety *Mars*, to whom then was offered a Bull, a Ram and a Boar, in *Mars* his Field, after that these Victims had been thrice led round the Army, ranged in Battle Array, in order to their Lustration or Purification by this Sacrifice : Others have called this Feast *Suovetaurilia*, which is Compounded of the Names of three Beasts that were Sacrificed ; *Sus*, *Ovis*, and *Taurus*, a Boar, a Weather and a Bull ; tho others say, the Sacrifice consisted of a Bull, Ram and He-Goat : *Cato* makes mention of these *Suovetaurilia* as a Sacrifice, which the Masters of Families were used to offer, after having led the Victims round their Ground, to divert the mischiefs of Storm, Hail and Tempests, and all other misfortunes from their Land and Houses, and for obtaining a plentiful Harvest.

SOMNUS, *Sleep*, esteemed a God by the Ancient Heathens, Born according to their Credulity of *Erebus* and *Night*, and the Brother of Death ; *Orpheus* calls him the happy King of Gods and Men, and the Great foreteller of things to Come : They make his Issue to be numerous, but the most Considerable are *Morpheus*, *Phobetor* and *Phantasia* : The Altars Dedicated to this Imaginary Diety, were wont to be placed near to those of the *Muses*, which shews that Adoration was given him. SOST-

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SOSIPOLIS, The Name of a Heathen Diety whom the *Eleenses* worshipped, from the time that they obtained a signal Victory against the *Arcadians*, after a miraculous manner; for they tell us, as both Parties were ready to engage, a Woman appear'd in the middle of the Camp of the *Eleans*, promising them a sure and speedy Victory, she had a little Child in her Arms, which she laid down on the Ground, as soon as the *Arcadians* began to draw near to Battle, who pressing in upon the *Eleans*, saw a prodigious Serpent fighting for their Enemies, in the same place where the Woman had laid down her Child: The *Arcadians* affrighted at the horrible sight, fled, and being pursued by the *Eleans*, were cut to pieces.

From this time forwards, the *Eleans* received this Woman and her Child into the Number of their Gods, calling the Woman *Itithia*, and her Son *Sosipolis*, that is, the Keeper of the City, and built a Temple to them, wherein were two Altars for the Mother and Son, one Priestess only was allowed, and that Clad in white, to enter into the most secret Room, called *Penetrable*, of the Temple of *osipolis*, where his Statue stood, when she went to consult and receive his Oracles. This Name was also given to *Jupiter*, in those Places of which he was more particularly accounted to be the preserver or tutelar Diety.

SPINENSIS, A Pagan Divinity, to whom the Heathens, according to *St. Augustin*, ascribed the Care of Rooting up Bryars and Thorns.

STATUES, were the Figures of Heathen Gods, Heroes, and Famous Men, made to bestow worship upon them, or to Honour their

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Memories, there were several sorts of them, but the Particulars do not come under the present design.

STOOR-JUNKARE, The second Diety of the Heathen *Laplanders*, who was, as it were, the Lieutenant of their God *Thor*; they call him also *Stourapasse*, that is to say, *Holy and Great*; they believe that all tame and wild Beasts are under his command; each Family has his *Stoorjunkare*, which they worship on the top of some Rock, or near a Cave on the Banks of some Lake. The Figure of this false God is a stone, that has some resemblance of a Head, and is found amongst the Rocks, or on the Banks of Lakes. The *Laplanders* are great admirers of this stone, as supposing it to have been made by the Express Command of their *Stoorjunkare*; the second represents his Wife, the third his Son or his Daughter, and all the rest his Servants or Maids; they commonly Sacrifice to him a Male *Rangifer* (a Beast resembling one of our Stags) and after that they have Sacrificed this Victim, they rank its Horns and Bones in a Semi-Circle, behind the Figure of their Idol.

STRENIA, A Goddess of the Heathen *Romans* that presided over New-Years Gifts, which they called *Strenæ*; her Festival was Celebrated the same Day in a little Temple, Dedicated to her on the *via sacra*, or Holy way.

SUADA, or *Suadela*, a Heathen Goddess, made by the *Romans* to be the Goddess of Perswasion, the same as the *Greeks* called *Pitha*.

SUCCESS, A Pagan Diety to whom the *Romans* erected a Temple, and had Recourse to implore an happy Event of any business

they took in Hand ; he was represented by the Figure of a Man, holding a Cup in one Hand, and in the other an Ear of Corn and a Poppy-stalk ; the Cup signified the Joy procured by this Diety, the Ear of Corn, the Profit and Advantage he brought along with him, and the Poppy was an Emblem of that Repose and Quietness he was supposed to Administer, which could not be enjoy'd, whilst the Soul was Distracted by doubtful Expectations.

SUN, *Sol*, made a Diety by the Heathens: *Macrobius* endeavours to shew, that all the Dieties of the Poets were only the Sun under a disguise. The Poets agree that *Apollo* is the Sun, nay, the Sun is the same as *Bacchus* or *Liber*, according to the same Author, I mean *Macrobius*, who says that the Sun in the Mysteries Prayers of the Heathens was called *Apollo*, while it continued in the upper Hemisphere, or during Day-light, and that they called it *Liber Pater* in the Night, while it ran through the lower Hemisphere : Farther he endeavours to prove that *Mars* is the Sun, as well as *Mercury*, *Æsculapius*, *Hercules*, *Jupiter Ammon*, &c. The *Assyrians* worshipped the Sun, as being their only and Sovereign Diety, and hence it is that they called his Name *Adad*, that is *Only*. The *Mithra* of the *Persians*, was likewise the Sun, by which Name he was also worshipped by the *Romans*.

SUNNIS, The Name of a Sect amongst the *Mahometans*, which are opposite to the *Schizis*, that is, to the *Persian Mahometans* ; they maintain that *Abubeker*, was the Lawful Successor of *Mahomet*, who was succeeded by *Omar*, then *Osman*, and last of all *Mortus-*

Ali, who was Son in Law to *Mahomet* : They affirm, that *Osman* was Secretary to *Mahomet*, and a Person of great Capacity, that the three others were not only Persons of an extraordinary understanding, but likewise great Soldiers ; and that they made way for the Doctrine of *Mahomet*, no less by the Sword than by Argument and Persuasion ; therefore the Sect of the *Sunnis*, chose rather to maintain their Religion by force of Arms than Reasoning.

SYNAGOGUE in *Greek*, signifying a Congregation or Assembly, is peculiarly taken for the Place where the *Jews* were wont to meet, for to Celebrate Divine worship ; there were many of these in the Holy Land, both in Cities and Country, for the Conveniency of the People : and there are more or less of them still in those Cities where the *Jews* are allowed to live, according to the Number or Diversity of the *Jews* that Inhabit there, for the *Eastern*, *Portuguese*, *German* and *Italian Jews*, have some difference in their Prayers, and therefore are willing each of them to have distinct Places, wherein to perform their Devotions.

SYNAXARION, The Name of an Ecclesiastical Book of the *Greeks*, Containing a brief Collection of the Lives of those they will have to be Saints, and a short Explanation of each Festival or Holy-Day : But there are many falsities contained in it.

SYRIANS, A sort of Christians in the East called *Syrians*, because they lived in *Syria* ; See *Jacobins*.

SYLVANUS, or *Silvanus*, a Heathen Diety made to preside over Forests and Land-Marks : *Fenestella*

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la says, *Pan*, *Faunus* and *Sylvanus*, were the same Diety: The *Luperci* were their Priests, and their Feasts the *Lupercalia*; See *Lupercalia*.

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TABERNACLES, The *Jews* had a Feast, which they called the Feast of Tabernacles or Tents, in Commemoration of their incamping in the Wilderness after their departure out of *Agypt*: It was Celebrated on the fifth of the Month, which answers to *September*, and instituted in *Lev. 23.* where it is said, *Seven Days shall ye dwell in Tabernacles or Tents*: *Leo of Modena* says, that every one made in an open Place a Lodge covered with leaves, hung round, and adorned to their utmost Ability; they eat and drank, and some even lay in them; the eighth Day was solemnly observed in a Publick Assembly.

The Feast of the Rejoycing of the Law, which is Celebrated the Day following, makes a part of the Feast of Tabernacles, which likewise lasts nine Days; the two first and two last of which are solemn, but the other five are not; they procure against that time one branch of Palm-Tree, three of Myrtle, two of Willow, and one of Citron-Tree, and when they say *Hallel* in the Synagogue, they take in their Right Hand all the Branches tyed together, except that of the Citron-Tree, which they hold in their Left, and bringing them by one another, they shake them towards the four Corners of the World, as 'tis said, *Lev. 23. 40.* And on the first Day, ye shall take the Branches of goodly Trees, and

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Branches of Palm-Trees. Then Singing some Song, they go round this little Altar or Desk, that is in the Synagogue every Day, holding these Branches in their Hands, because that Anciently they performed the same Ceremonies in the Temple round the Altar.

TAHARET, A Religious Ceremony amongst the *Mabometans*, that Consists in washing after the Ease and Evacuation of Nature.

TALAPOINS, A Name of the *Indian* Doctors or Priests, at *Siam*; they live an Exemplary Life, and very zealously exclaim against those that worship Devils, tho they are but little minded; they have no Aversion for such as turn Christians, provided they live agreeable to their Profession, imagining that a Good Life will make People safe under any Perswasion; they go barefoot, and eat but once a Day.

TALASSUS, *Talasio* and *Talassius*, a false Diety made by the *Romans* to preside over Marriages, as *Himeneus* did with the *Greeks*; they invoked him on their Wedding Days, that they might prove happy.

TALMUD, Is properly the Book which Contains the Civil and Canon Law of the *Jews*, and it Principally Consists of two Parts, the former which serves as a Text, being called *Misna*, and the other, which is as a Comment, *Guemara*. See *Talmudists*.

TALMUDISTS, The Name of those who follow the Doctrine of the *Talmud*, a Book that Contains the Religious Ceremonies and Law of the *Jews*; the Doctrines contained in it, were as they pretend, Transcribed from the Memoirs of the High Priests; insomuch that they have an extraordinary regard

for it, preferring it often before even the Holy Scriptures : Notwithstanding, it Contains Multitudes of ridiculous traditions and fables mixed with the *Jewish* Law ; besides there are likewise Blasphemies in it of several Kinds, and not to mention those against our Saviour, they tell us, that before the Creation of the World, God Almighty struck out several Plans, and endeavoured to form it upon different Models, and that he spent three Hours a Day in reading the *Jewish* Law.

TARAXIPPUS, The Name of a certain false Diety adored by the People of *Elis* in *Peloponesus* : His Altar was placed in the List, where they kept their Charriot-Horses ; and this was the Ground of that worship, there was near the end of this inclosure or Place railed in, a List of a Considerable breadth, fixed to the Ground in the form of a Semi-Circle, of a lively bright Colour, that the Coursers in their greatest speed might see it, and so turn back again : It often hapned, that the Horses coming up to the Place, either startled at the sight, or those that guided out of great haste, turned them short and made them throw the Coachman out of the Box, and break the Charriot. The superstitious *Grecians* not knowing what to attribute this to, imagined that there were some God, that would be worshipped in that Place, and called him *Taraxippus*, or the terror of Horses.

TAY-BOU, The Name of one the two Great *Magicians* of *Tonquin* in the *Indies* towards *China* ; he makes them believe that he can foretell things to come, so that when they design to Marry their Children to buy any Land, or undertake any Considerable business,

they consult this Oracle about the success : He has a Book filled with the Figures of Men, Beasts, Circles and Triangles, and three pieces of Brass with some Characters on one side only ; these he puts into three Cups, and having stirred them, casts them upon the Ground : If the Characters lye uppermost, he cries that the Person will be the happiest in the World, but if on the contrary they lye under, it's looked upon as a very bad Omen. If one or two Characters appear on the uppermost side, they consult their Book and foretell what they think ; he also pretends to know the Causes of Distempers, when the *Tay-Pbou* sends him them that Consult him, and to call the Souls of the Dead out of the Bodies that they are troublesome to.

TAY-PHOU-THONY, The Name of the other *Magician* of *Tonquin*, to whom they have recourse in their Sicknes ; if he says the Devil is the occasion of the Distemper, then they must Sacrifice and offer him a Table well furnished with Rice and Meat, which the *Magician* knows how to make use of ; if after this the Sick do not recover, all their Friends and Kindred, with several Soldiers surround the House, and discharge their Muskets thrice to frighten the Evil Spirit.

The *Magician* makes the Patient sometime foolishly believe, that it is the God of Water who troubles him, and this they generally say, if a Seaman or Fisherman lies ill ; and then he gives order for them to spread Tapestries and build Huts, and there to keep good Tables for three Days, at certain distances from the Sick Man's House to the next River, to invite this God

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God to retire, and see him safe into his Dominions again; but the better to know the Cause of this Distemper, this *Magician* sends them very often to the *Taybou*, who answers that they are the Souls of the Dead that cause the Sickness, and promises to use his Art to draw off these troublesome Ghosts to himself, and make them pass into his own Body, for they believe the transmigration of Souls, and when he catches that Ghost that did the Mischief, he shuts it up in a Bottle of water, until the Person is cured: If he recovers, the Bottle is broke, and the Ghost set at liberty to go whither it pleases: If he dies, after the *Magician* has enjoined the Ghost to do no more harm, he sends it away.

TEFFILIN, Certain Parchments which the *Jews* carry about them in time of Prayer: *Leo* of *Modena* makes two sorts of them, the *Teffela* for the Hand, and the *Teffela* for the Head; the four following Passages of the Pentateuch, are written upon these two pieces of Parchment, in square Letters with Ink made on purpose, *viz.* *Hear, O Israel, &c.* the second runs thus. *And it shall come to pass, if thou obeyest, &c.* The third, *Sanctify to me all the first Born*: The fourth, *And when the Lord shall cause thee to enter, &c.* These two pieces of Parchment are rolled up in the form of a Roll, a little sharpened at the end, and put up in a piece of a black Calf-skin, with several other ridiculous Circumstances; and the one was tyed to their Left Arm, and the other to their forehead: *Father Simon* assures us, that the *Caraites* make no use of these *Teffelins*, and that on the contrary, they laugh at the *Rabbannites*, calling them bridled Asses with their *Teffelin*.

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TELLUS, esteemed by the *Pagans* the Goddess of the Earth, and called by *Homer* the Mother of the Gods, was by the *Romans* worshipped under the Name of *Tellus* and *Tellumo*, of whom *Tellus* was the Female, and the other the Male, so that there were a God and Goddess of them, but how worshipped, I cannot justly assign.

TEMPLE, A Name given in all times to Buildings, Consecrated to Divine Worship and Religion, tho the Worship of God was considerably antecedent to any such structure; the Places where the Heathen Temples were Built, were different, according to the different Dieties: The Temples of tutelar Gods of Towns, were built on heights, if there were any, the better to protect and defend them on all sides; the Gods who presided over Vertues, Peace and Arts, had their Places in the best Parts of the City, to be nigher at Hand, to inspire Men with Noble Thoughts and Inclinations for the Good of the Publick: As for those who presided over Pleasures, as *Venus*; over War, as *Mars* and *Bel-lona*; over Fire, as *Vulcan*; their Temples were built out of the Towns, to denote, that they were either hurtful to Men, or at least to mark, that they were not to accustom themselves to their use: *Neptune's* Temples were generally upon the Sea Coasts, and those of *Æsculapius* and the other Dieties, who presided over Physick in the most temperate Part of the City and Country, and where there was best Air, that all together might contribute to the recovery of the Sick sent thither; nor must it be forgotten, that each Temple had its particular God or Gods, and that

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that no other Gods, but such as the Temples were Consecrated to, could be Worshipped in them.

Having mentioned the Temples of the Heathens, we shall say something of those belonging to the true God; the Scripture says that *Moses* had the Model of the Tabernacle given him by God, but this being moveable, the *Jews* had no Temple till the time of *Solomon*, built at *Jerusalem*, towards which all of that Nation that were remote from that City turned their Faces when they Prayed: It was finally destroyed by *Titus Vespasian* on the 10th. of *August*, being the same day, according to *Josephus*, on which it was Burnt before by *Nebuchadnezzar*; and *Jerom* observes, that from this time the *Jews* had an Anniversary Day of Mourning on the 10th. of *August*, upon which they bewailed the loss of their Temple with a great deal of passionate and moving Lamentation, giving Money to the *Roman* Soldiers to get Leave to enter *Jerusalem*, and to Weep over the place where the Temple stood, and this was continued, as he said, to his time.

TEMPLERS, Christian Hereticks, who lived in *Jerusalem* Anno 1030. after the Death of *Philip Augustus*, they being so called, because they frequented the Temple very much; they had an Image made by exquisite Art covered with a Man's Skin, and having two shining Carbuncles instead of Eyes; they Sacrificed to this Idol the Bodies of the Dead reduced to Ashes, and gave them to be drank by others, to render them more strong and constant, those who were born to a Templer Wedded to a Maid, they roasted after Death, and anointed the Image with droppings,

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to evidence their greater Zeal; some will have these to be the same with the Knights Templars, and others stiffly oppose it.

TERAPHIM, the Name of the Idols of *Laban*, stolen by *Rachel*, *Gen.* 31. 19. Some have thought them to have been Brass Instruments, that served to shew the time of the day and the number of Hours by the Sun, or by the fall of Water into a Bason by equal proportions, which rising gradually, shewed by its height and elevation what the other did by the Shadow. Others took them to be Astrological Figures, and Dr. *Spencer* endeavours to shew that these Images or Idols came from the *Amorites* and *Chaldeans*, or *Syrians*, and that *Teraphim* is a *Chaldee* Word, which signifies the same thing with *Seraphim* in *Hebrew*, and farther adds, that the *Egyptian* Idol *Serapis* was the same with the *Teraphim* or *Seraphim* of the *Hebrews*.

TERMINUS, A Heathen Diety, that was supposed to bound and abutt Lands. *Numa* Built him a Temple upon the *Tarpeian* Mount, and made his Worship one of the chiefest Points of his Religion: This Divinity had also his Feasts and Sacrifices, the Feasts, called *Terminalia*, were Celebrated about the end of *February*; and as for the Sacrifices, they never offered any living thing to him, but Wheat Cakes, and the first Fruits of the Field, to shew he was the God of Concord and Peace, and therefore could not delight in Blood; the Roof of his Temple was always open over his Statues, and it was a great Crime to cover the God *Terminus* in any manner, since the Bounds and Limits of the Land should be ordered so, that all People

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People might see them; this Diety was generally represented by a Stone, a Tile or Post, stuck in the Ground at the ends of Gardens and Fields.

TERMINALIA, See *Terminus*.

TESTAMENT, The Old and New, so are those Books called which were Written by the Inspiration of the Holy Ghost. See Bible and Septuagint.

TETRAPLA, See *Hexapla*.

TEUTATES, The Name by which the Ancient *Gauls* worshipped the false God *Mercury*, to whom they Sacrificed Human Victims; the *Druids* either burning, piercing them with Arrows, or strangling them in the middle of their Temples.

THALIA, One of the nine *Muses*, see *Muses*.

THEATINS, *Fryars* so called from the Town *Teate*, in the Kingdom of *Naples*; their proper Name, according to the first Institution, was that of *Regulars*, and their Founder was one *Gaetan* of *Thiene*; they were established at *Rome* in 1524, &c.

THEOLOGY, A Discourse concerning God, it being the Business of this Science to treat of the Diety; the Heathens had their Theologues or Divines as well as the Christians, and *Eusebius* and *Augustin* distinguish the Theology of the Heathens into three sorts; first, the Fabulous and Poetical, secondly, Natural, which was explained by Philosophy and Physicks, the third was Political or Civil, which last consisted chiefly in the solemn Service of the Gods, and in the Belief they had in Oracles and Divinations, together with the Ceremonies wherewith they were treated and performed.

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is divided into Positive and Ecclesiastical; the first being founded upon Fact and Institution, having the Scriptures, Councils and Fathers for its Bottom and Foundation, and properly speaking is true Divinity; the other, called Scholastical, is principally supported by Reason, which is made use of to shew, that the Christian Theology contains nothing inconsistent with Natural Light; and with this view it is that *Aquinas* makes use of the Authority of Philosophers, and Arguments from Natural Reason, because he was engaged with Philosophers, who attacked the Christian Religion with Arguments from those Topicks. Its thought Scholastick Divinity came first from the *Moors*, or *Arabians*, who were very subtil at it, and understood Metaphysicks exactly well.

THEMIS, A false Goddess of the Heathens, and made to be the Goddess of Justice, to produce Laws, Rules, Rights, Peace, and at last to fix Men's Fortunes, punishing their Vice, and rewarding their Vertues; the Poets will have her to be the first that gave Oracles, and *Ovid* speaking of the time of *Deucalion's* Deluge, says,

*Fatidicamq; Themis, quæ tunc
Oracla tenebat.*

THESMOPHORIA, See *Cerealea*.

THETYS, A Sea Goddess of the Heathens, made to be the Daughter of *Chiron*, or rather of *Nereus* and *Doris*, of whom we know nothing more to our purpose.

St. THOMAS, Surnamed *Didymus*, an Apostle of Christ, he not being with the rest when our Saviour appeared to them after the Resurrection, could not believe what was said of it, until he saw and touch-
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ed his Feet, Hands, and the wounds in his side; and this Incredulity making an uncontestable Proof of the Resurrection, made some of the Fathers say, his doubt did more service than all the other Apostles Faith: He Preached the Gospel to the *Æthiopians*, *Parthians*, *Persians*, *Medes* and *Indians*, and to those of the Isle of *Trapobane*, and was run through with a Lance near the Town of *Meliapour*, now *St. Thomas*.

Our Modern *Historians* of the *East-Indies* assert as a certain Truth; that in the Kingdom of *Narsinga* and *Cranganor*, and in the Neighbouring Provinces, it passes for an undoubted truth, that this Apostle Preached the Gospel there; the Christians who live there, call themselves the Christians of *St. Thomas*, and report several strange things of him, contained, they say, in their Annals, which are sung by the Children of *Malabar* in the Country Language: *Cave* says, that it was Customary with the *Jews*, when Travelling into Foreign Countries, or familiarly Conversing with the *Greeks* and *Romans*, to assume a *Greek* and *Latin* Name of great affinity; so this Apostle was called *Thomas* and *Didymus*, both which in the *Syriack* Version signifying Twin: *Metaphrastes* affirms he was brought up a Fisherman, and that he made up in Pious Affections what he seemed to want in quickness of understanding, not readily apprehending some of our Lords Discourses, nor over forward to believe more than he himself had seen: He is said to have dispatched *Thaddæus* to *Abgarus*, *Toparch* of *Edeffa* (between whom and our Saviour the Letters commonly said to have passed, are still extant in

Eusebius) whom he first Cured of an inveterate Distemper, and afterwards Converted him and his subjects to the Faith: The Apostolick Province assigned him, as *Origen* tells us, was *Parthia*, after which *Sophronius* and others say, he Preached to the *Medes*, *Persians*, &c. And some will have it, that he met the *Magi*, who brought the new Born Jesus the Presents, and Baptized and took them along with him as his Companions and Assistance in the Propagation of the Gospel: He came at last to *India*, and Travelled as far as the Isle of *Sumatra*, Preaching every where with all the Arts of Gentleness and Mild Perswasions, not flying out into smart invectives, and furious heats against their Idolatrous Practises, but Calmly instructing them in the Principles of Christianity, by degrees perswading them to renounce their Follies, whereby he brought the People from their gross Errors to entertain Religion.

The *Portuguese* tell us, that *St. Thomas* came first to the Isle of *Socotora* in the *Arabian* Sea, thence to *Cranganor*, where having Converted many, he Travelled farther Eastward, and having successfully Preached the Gospel, returned to the Kingdom of *Cormandel*, where he built a Church at *Malipur*, and Converted *Sagamo*, Prince of that Country. The *Brachmans* foreseeing that this tended to spoil their Trade, put him to Death, one of them running him through with a Lance at Prayers: The Authors before mentioned, pretend several Inscriptions to Confirm the truth of it; but the Judicious Reader, may measure his belief as he pleases.

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THOMAS, (Christians of St.) who are of the *Chaldean* and *Nestorian* Sect, notwithstanding the several Attempts made to reform them, remain obstinate in their ancient Customs, and if they comply sometimes with the Popish Missionaries, it is but in outward appearance: When they are desired to submit to the Church of *Rome*, they answer, that as *St. Peter* was Chief of that, so *St. Thomas* was Head of their Church, and both Churches were independent one of another, and they stand steadfast in acknowledging the Patriarch of *Babylon*, without minding the Pope; for they hold as *Moreri* relates, *Nestorius's* Opinion, receive no Images but the Cross, nor have they any regard for that neither; they hold that the Souls of Saints, do not see God before the Day of Judgment, and allow three Sacraments, *viz.* Baptism, Orders, and the Eucharist: Nor do they agree in these neither, there being several forms of Baptism in the same Church; they abhor auricular Confession, and for their Consecration made use of small Cakes, made with Oyl and Salt; the Wine they use is nothing but water, in which they steep Raisins: They observe no Age for Orders, but make Priests at seven, eighteen, twenty, &c. who may Marry as often as their Wives dye. They Administer no Sacrament without their Fees or Reward, and as for Marriage, they make use of the first Priest they meet with. They have all an extraordinary Respect for the Patriarch of *Babylon*, Chief of the *Nestorians*, and cannot abide to hear the Pope named in their Churches, where for the most part, they neither have Curate nor Vicar, but the Eldest presides:

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It's true, they go to Mass on *Sundays*, not that they think themselves obliged in Conscience to do so, or that they would Sin mortally if they did not: Their Children, unless it be in Case of Sicknes, are not Baptized till the fiftieth Day. At the Death of Friends the Kindred and Relations, keep an Eighth Days Fast in memory of the Deceased: They observe the times of *Advent* and *Lent*, the Festivals of our Lord, and many of the Saints, those especially that relate to *St. Thomas*; the *Dominica* in *Albis*, or *Sunday* after *Easter*, in memory of the Famous Confession, which *St. Thomas* on that Day made of Christ, after he had been sensibly Cured of his unbelief. Another on the first of *June*, Celebrated not only by Christians, but by *Moors* and *Pagans*; the People who come to his Sepulchre on Pilgrimage, carry away a little of the red Earth of the Place where he was Interred, which they keep as an inestimable treasure, and believe it to be a Sovereign Remedy against Diseases: Their Priests are shaven in fashion of a Cross, but Father *Simon* does not Charge them with so many Errors as *Meneses* does, from whom this Account was taken.

THRONES, Angels of the third Order of the first Hierarchy, so called, because they serve as Thrones for the Majesty of God.

TIENSU, An Idol of the People of *Tonquin*, in the *Indies*, towards *China*, which they Adore as the Patron of Arts, and Sacrifice to it, that it may give Wit, Judgment, and Memory to their Children.

TITAN, an imaginary Diety of the Heathens, of whose Worship there is no Account left in History; the Sun is sometimes called *Titan*.

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TRANQUILITY, A Pagan Goddess, adored at *Rome* under the Name of *Quies*, and whose Temple was without the City.

TRANSFIGURATION, A Feast instituted by some Christians to Celebrate the Memory of the day that Christ appeared in a Glorious State with *Moses* and *Elias* upon a Mountain, whither he led *Peter*, *James*, and *John*.

TRINITARIANS, A Christian Order of the Trinity and Redemption of Captives; their Rules are, that all Estates or Goods that fall Legally to them are to be divided into three parts, the two first whereof shall be employed in Works of Charity, both towards themselves and those that are in their Service, and that the third shall be applied for the Redemption of Captives; that all their Churches ought to be dedicated to the most Holy Trinity; that they ought to acknowledge the Solicitor or Proctor of the Monastery for their Superior, who should be called Father-Minister of the House of the Holy Trinity; that they must not Ride on Horseback, but on Asses only: Fasts are ordered four times a Week, unless they be Holy Days; that they ought to eat Flesh only on Sundays, and some Holy Days; that all the Alms given to them for the Redeeming of Captives, ought to be faithfully employed for that purpose, except only as much as was necessary for the Charges of their Journey.

TRISAGION, A little Hymn, wherein the Word *Sanctus* is thrice repeated; the *Latine* Christians cry *Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus*; but the *Greeks* say in their Language *Sanctus Deus, Sanctus Fortis, Sanctus Immortalis, misere-re nobis*, which they repeat often

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in their Oration and Divine Office; some say it was instituted in the time of *Theodosius* the younger.

TRITON, A kind of a Pagan Sea-Divinity, made to be the Son of *Neptune* and *Amphitrite*, and according to the Fabulous Poets *Neptune's* Trumpet; but we know of no particular Adoration paid him.

TUTULINA, A false Goddess adored by the Ancient *Gentiles*, and invoked for the preservation of their Harvest, when at Home in their Rick-Yards, that it might thenceforth be kept safe.

TRUTH, A Heathen Dicty, see *Veritas*.

TYPICON, The Name of a Liturgical Book of the *Greeks*, which contains the Form of Officiating in all their publick Prayers for the whole Year, it answers to that which in the Church of *Rome* they call *Ordo recitandi Divini Officii*, for as there are still variety of Rites in the Western Churches, which were much more different, before the Office of the *Roman* Church was received, so in like manner this *Typicon* of the *Greeks* is not every where the same, each Church having generally something of peculiarity and difference in their Forms; however, that which is most valued and made use of is the *Typicon* of *Jerusalem*, taken from the Monastery of *St. Sabas*.

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VACUNA, A Heathen Goddess worshipped by Labouers, and whom they invoked, as Propitious to those that forgot their Quiet; they Celebrated her Feasts

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in Winter, that they might rest after their Harvest.

VAGITANT, A certain Goddess whom the *Pagans* believed to preside over the first Words which Children pronounced, to whom Altars were erected at *Rome*.

VALENTINIANS, Christian Hereticks, so denominated from *Valentinus*, the Author of this Sect, who spread his Errors in the Eleventh Age; he collected Dreams of certain Gods, to the number of Thirty, whom he called *Æones*, that is, *Ages*, out of *Hesiod's* Fables, of whom he would have Fifteen to be Male, and the rest Female, and said, that our Saviour sprung like another *Pandora* out of their Correspondence, and added, that he passed with a Body brought out of Heaven thro' the Virgin as a Conduit or Pipe, and that all Men would not rise to Life again; his Disciples followed also the Errors of the *Gnosticks*, and took their Name.

UEIQUITARIES, Thus most of the *Lutherans* are called, who, to maintain the real Presence, say, with *James Fabri* of *Eftaples*, that our Saviour's Body is every where as well as his Divinity.

VE-JOVIS, A noxious Diety of the *Pagans*, to whom the *Romans* erected Temples, and offered Sacrifices, that he might do them no Mischief.

VENUS, Made by the Heathens to be the Goddess of Love, was also worshipped by the *Romans*, and *Augustus Caesar* Built her a Temple at *Rome*, Consecrated to *Venus Genetrix*.

VER SACRUM, A Solemn Sacrifice offered by the Heathen *Romans* to their false Gods upon very important Occasions, and when the Common-Wealth was most

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streightned; in this Sacrifice they offered every thing that was brought forth during one Spring throughout their whole Dominions; 'tis believed the *Sabins* began this Practice in their War against the *Umbrians*, wherein having been several times beaten, they made a Vow to *Mars*, that upon Condition they got the Victory, they would sacrifice every Animal to him that was produced the ensuing Spring, which upon gaining a Victory they performed accordingly, in respect to every Brute Animal: But upon reflecting that their Vow run in general Terms, without exception, they were afraid their Children were comprehended in it, and at last found this Expedient, to Consecrate all their Children to *Mars* that were born the first Spring after the Vow was made: these Children were ordered to serve in this pretended Diety's Temples till they were Twenty Years of Age, and after that all of them, of both Sexes, were turned out of the Country to seek their Fortunes.

VERITAS, Truth, The Ancient Heathens made a Diety of it, and called her the Daughter of *Saturn* and *Time*, and the Mother of *Vertue*, Painting her like a handsome and modest Woman, clad very plain, but shining with Splendor and Majesty.

VERTICORDIA; The Surname of *Venus*, called *Urania*, or *Cælestis*, worshipped for a Diety by the Ancients, to get rid of their Lascivious Passions, and to give themselves up altogether to the Pleasures of the Understanding. The *Romans* built her a Temple by the Advice of the Book of the *Sybits*, whither young Girls went to offer little Babies that they played with in their Infancy.

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VERTUE, *Virtus*, A Goddess of the Ancient *Pagans*, whose Temple at *Rome* joined to that of *Honour*, and was so contrived, that there was no coming into the latter but by the first, to indicate that Vertue was the way to true Honour; she was represented several different ways, sometimes as a Lady of Quality, to shew the Veneration People ought to have for her; sometimes as a Man Armed, to shew her Courage and Constancy; but *Lucian* describes her Melancholly, sore Afflicted, ill Clad, and abused by Fortune, so that she was forbid to appear before *Jupiter*, that is, to shew her self before great Persons, or aspire to Honours; at another time they made her to appear like a grave and modest Woman, Clad in plain White Apparel, and seated upon a square Stone, to shew her Candor, Simplicity and Constancy; she also appeared in the shape of a Venerable Old Man, with a long Beard, leaning upon a Staff, and covering himself with a Lions Skin, the Beard denoted Wisdom, that is generally the Daughter of Experience, the Club Strength and Firmness, and the Lion's Skin the Generosity of the Mind.

VERTUMNUS, A Heathen Deity, made to be the God of Change and of Gardens, he was also an Emblem of the Year, he was Worshipped under a Thousand Forms; the Poets make him to be the Husband of *Pomona*, the Goddess of Fruits, and the *Greeks* called him *Proteus*.

VERTUMNALES, Heathen Festivals Celebrated at *Rome* in Honour of their false God *Vertumnus*; they were kept in *Autumn*, because that being the time the Fruit was gathered, they thanked this Deity

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for preserving them to perfect Maturity.

VESTA, A Heathen Goddess of the Earth, considered sometimes as the Mother, and at other times as the Daughter of *Saturn*: *Numa Pompilius*, second King of *Rome*, Consecrated to her an Everlasting Fire, and to keep it, established the Priestesses called *Vestales*, who were most severely Punished when they let it go out, since it could not be lighted again but by Fire from Heaven, or with the Rays of the Sun; they were buried alive when they sinned against Chastity.

VESTALS, see *Vesta*.

VESTALIA, Heathen Festivals Celebrated by the *Romans* in the Month of *June*, in Honour of the Goddess *Vesta*, which they kept in the Streets before their Doors, and chose some Messes, which they sent to the Temple of this false Goddess; they lead about the City several Asses Crowned with Flowers, and having Collars of certain bits of Paste, in form of little round Cakes; the Mules were also adorned with Nosegays, and there was no Work done that day; the *Roman* Ladies went barefoot to the Temple of *Vesta*, and to the *Capitol*, where there was an Altar dedicated to *Jupiter Pistor*, that is, the Baker.

VICTIMS, see *Sacrifices*.

VICTORY, A Heathen Goddess Adored by the Ancients, and esteemed by *Varro* to be the Daughter of *Heaven* and *Earth*. The *Romans*, during their War with the *Samnites*, built a Temple to this supposed Divinity, and dedicated to her the Temple of *Jupiter* in the *Capitol*. The *Athenians* also Consecrated a Temple to her in their City, and vainly Painted her without Wings, that she might not fly away

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away from them, as the *Lacedemonians* had *Mars* Chained, to keep him always with them; but she was commonly represented in the shape of a Young Woman, with Wings, holding a Crown of Laurel or White Olive in one Hand, and a Branch of Palm in the other, adorned with Trophies: Sometimes she was represented Armed, with a brisk Countenance, all in a Sweat, and covered with Dust, distributing the Spoil and Prisoners to the Victorious with bloody Hands; she was Painted Young and Fair, to denote her Vigour, and the charming Lustre of her Glory, her Sex and Wings shewed the inconstancy and doubtful Success of War; the Laurel, by its perpetual verdure, intimated the Eternal Renown of the Victorious, and the Palm signified invincible Courage.

VITUNA, A certain Goddess of *Paganism*, which was believed to give Life to Children in their Mothers Wombs, according to the Account *Augustin* gives of her.

UNITARIANS, The Name given to the *Antitrinitarians*, called also *Socinians*; their first Settlement was in *Poland*, where they declared, that they admitted of no other Creed than that of the Apostles, rejecting that of *Nice*, and the other ascribed to *Athanasius*, and in a Word, all those that were drawn up by General Councils, pretending they were not agreeable to the Word of God, meaning God the Father; they deny the second Person in the Trinity to be the Supreme Being; 'tis true they acknowledge him to be God, but hold him to be inferior to the Father, as being created by him, and dependant on him.

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VOLUPLA, The Heathen Goddess of Pleasure, to whom the *Romans* built a Temple, and represented her like a Young Woman, prettily Drest, and treading upon Vertue.

URANIA, One of the nine *Muses*, see *Muses*.

URIM and THUMMIM, We know nothing certain concerning the *Urim* and *Thummim* of the *Hebrews*, but that they were certain Ornaments belonging to the High Priests Habit, by which he gave Oracular Answers to the People; the Word *Urim* signifies Light or Explanations. The High Priests of the *Jews* consulted God in the most important Affairs of their Commonwealth, who acquainted them with his Pleasure by the *Urim*: *Spencer* pretends, that what was called *Urim*, was nothing else but the ancient *Teraphims*, or little Human Figures, which the Priest carried hid in the folds of his Robe or Gown, and by which God answered their Questions; this he explains by the Example of *Laban*, from whence he concludes, that the use of these little Prophetick Images was common in Ancient Times: The *Septuagint* translated the Word *Thummim*, Truth, which agrees well enough with the like Ceremony much in use with the *Egyptians*, as has been observed by *Diodorus Siculus* and others, who tell us, that the Principal Minister of Justice carried an Image of precious Stones about his Neck, which was called *Truth*.

VULCAN, A *Pagan* Divinity, esteemed to be the God of Subterranean Fire, to preside over Metals, and to be the Son of *Jupiter* and *Juno*; he is indeed found to be the first in the Dynasties of the *Egyptian* Kings, who were reputed
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Gods, and is also called the Father of the Gods in the proud Incriptions of the Kings of *Egypt*; he being the *Tubal-Cain* of the *Pagans*, was made to preside over all those Arts which concerned the working of Metals. He was Worshipped in divers Countries; the *Egyptians*, according to *Eliau*, Consecrated Lions to him, and *Servius* says, it was a Custom after the gaining of a Victory to gather the Arms of the Enemy together, and to make a Sacrifice of them to *Vulcan* in the Field of Battel.

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WAIDI, An Ancient *Mahometan* Sect, opposite to the *Morgi*, who are of Opinion, That a Man fallen into any great or Mortal Sin is put into the Condition of a Deserter of his Faith, and tho' he be a Professor of the true Faith, shall yet without Recovery for ever be Punished in Hell; but yet that his Torments shall be in a more remiss degree than that of other Infidels: But the Orthodox Opinion in this Case is this, That a Sinner in a high degree departing this World without Repentance, is wholly to be committed to the Pleasure of God, either to Pardon him for his Mercies sake, or upon the Intercession of *Mahomet*, that being first Punished according to the measure of their Iniquity, they may afterwards in Compassion be received into Paradise, for 'tis impossible they should remain in Hell with Infidels for ever; but they say 'tis revealed to them, *That whosoever hath but the weight of an Atom of Faith in his Heart, shall in due time be released from fiery Torments*; for which Reason some Sects among the *Turks* Pray for the Dead.

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WEEEKS, *Daniel's* Seventy, the number of the Seventy Weeks of Years, *i. e.* Seventy times Seven Years, which make Four Hundred and Ninety; this Mysterious Number was by the Angel *Gabriel* revealed to the Prophet *Daniel*, to foretell the time of the Birth and Death of our Blessed Saviour; by this Revelation we are given to understand, that the Messiah was to Die in the middle of the seventh Week, *i. e.* between the third and fourth Year of it; the beginning of these Seventy Weeks the Learned fix to the time *Jerusalem* was rebuilt by *Nehemiah*, by the Permission of *Artaxerxes Longimanus*, King of *Persia*, and here they take notice of two beginnings of this King's Reign, the first, when he was associated into the Government, and Reigned jointly with his Father *Xerxes*, commences in the 28th. Year of *Rome*, which makes the Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty First of the World, and the other after his Father's Death, and fell on the 287th. of *Rome*, *i. e.* 3587th. of the World, this second Reign lasted Forty Years; and the Learned farther observe, that we are not to take these Years for pure Lunary ones, because 'tis not to be supposed that the Angel *Gabriel* meant any other sort of Year than that which was in use among the *Jews*, and indeed among almost all other Nations of the World, who either computed by proper Solary Years of Three Hundred Sixty Five Days, or else by Lunary ones adapted to the Solary by *Ebolismes*.

These Foundations being laid, it follows that *Jerusalem* was rebuilt the 20th. of *Artaxerxes Longimanus*, computing from the time that he began to Reign jointly with his

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his Father *Xerxes*, which was the 300 of *Rome*, the 3600 of the World, and 454 Years before our Saviour: Now from this 20th. Year of *Artaxerxes*, to the 30th. of our Lord, when our Blessed Saviour was Baptized by *John* the Baptist, and began to Preach and make himself publick there, are Four Hundred Eighty Three Years, which make Seventy Nine Weeks of Solar Years; in the middle of the 7th. Week the Messiah was Crucified, in the Thirty Third Year of his Age, and Three Years and Three Months after his Baptism; and thus to conclude, the end of the last Week falls upon the 37th. of our Lord, Three Years and some Months after his Crucifixion.

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XACCA, The first Founder of Idolatry in the *Indies* and Eastern Countries, tho' none but the *Japanese* call him so, for the *Indians* call him *Rama*, the *Chinois* *Xian*, and the People of *Tonquin* *Chiaga*; the Story tells us, that his Mother being big with him she dreamed that she bore a White Elephant, and this Fable is the Reason of the great Inclination the Kings of *Siam*, *Tonquin* and *China* have for White Elephants: This *Xacca* having retired into Desarts invented the Worship of Devils, and at his return out of his Solitude, found Eighty Thousand Disciples, amongst whom he chose Ten Thousand, to instruct others in those detestable Doctrines, ordering them to put no other Title to their Books but this, *Ipse dixit*, and this to imitate the Submission of the Disciples of *Pythagoras*, the Design of the Impostor in this was,

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to hinder Disputes, least People should forsake his Superstitions upon strict Examination. The *Brachmans* say that *Xacca* has suffered a *Metempsychosis* Fourscore Thousand times, and that his Soul has passed into so many different kinds of Beasts, whereof the last was a White Elephant, and that after all the changes he was received into the Society of the Gods, and is become a Pagod.

XEROPHAGIA, Fast-Days in the first Ages of the Christian Church, on which they eat nothing but Bread and Salt, the Word signifying so much as, *to eat dry things*, afterwards there were Pulse, Herbs and Fruits added; this great Fast was kept the six days of the Holy Week, for Devotion and not by Obligation, so that the Church condemned the *Montanists*, who of their own private Authority would not only oblige all People to observe the *Xerophagia* of the Holy Week, but also other Fasts that they had established, as well as several Lents. The *Essenes*, whether they were *Jews*, or the first Christians of the Church of *Alexandria*, observed *Xerophagia*, or certain Days; for *Philo* says they put nothing to their Bread and Water but Salt and Hyssop.

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YETMISH EKEE MELET, Thus the *Turkish* or *Mahometan* Doctors call the Seventy Two Nations, into which (they fancy) the World was divided upon the Confusion of the Languages at *Babel*, and that the same was a Type and Figure of the Divisions which in after Ages should succeed in the three most General Religions in the

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World; and in this manner they account Seventy different Sects among the *Jews*, Seventy One among the *Christians*, and to the *Mahometans* they assign one more, as being the last and ultimate Religion, wherein all fulness of true Doctrine is compleated; so the Mystery of Iniquity and the deviation of Man's Judgment by many Paths from the right Rule is here terminated and confined.

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ZACA, The Name which the *Turkish Mahometans* give that part of their Gold they allow for the Maintenance of the Poor; the *Alcoran* does not determine how much this ought to be, but the Doctors think a good *Mussulman* should give the tenth part of his Revenue; some Authors make this but the 40th. or 50th. and others say its but one in an Hundred.

ZELOTS, A Faction of Wicked People that appeared when the Emperor *Titus* warred against the *Jews*, and who, notwithstanding all their Barbarities and Cruelties committed in *Jerusalem*, &c. would make the People believe that what they did was out of Zeal for the Glory of God, while at the same time they Prophaned the most Sacred things, and cast Lots for an High Priest unworthy of that Dignity, excluding those from the Temple and the Exercise of their Function, who, according to the first Dispensation and the Laws of their Country, had a right to Officiate.

ZEIDI, A new Sect among the *Mahometans*, who maintain, that God will send a Prophet of the

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Persians with a Law, whereby that of *Mahomet* shall be annulled.

ZEPHYRUS, A *Pagan* Diety, thought favourable to tender Flowers, and the Fruits of the Earth; he was represented under the Form of a fair Young Man, having a Crown on his Head composed of all sorts of Flowers, but what manner of Adoration was given him I do not find any where recorded.

ZINDIKITES, *Mahometan* Hereticks or rather Atheists, because they neither believe Providence nor a Resurrection from the Dead; they hold there is no other God but the four Elements, that a Man is but a Mirror of these, and after Death resolves into them, and so returns (say they) as Elements to God that created them.

ZOHAR, In *Hebrew* Splendor, the Name of a Book for which the *Jews* have a great Veneration, both upon the score of the Contents and the Antiquity; it contains Cabalistical Explications of the Books of *Moses*, tho' it is oftentimes little better than *Fargon* upon Letters and Numbers, and Romantick Stories and Conjectures, grounded only upon Fancy; there is likewise a little *Zohar* Printed, which may serve as a Supplement to the great one.

ZONATRIE, The *Pagans* Worship of Beasts, as the Word in *Greek* implies; it was a Superstition very common amongst the *Egyptians*, and is so still amongst some of the *Indians*, by reason of their Belief of a Transmigration of Souls into other Bodies, as the *Egyptians* held, that the Soul of *Osiris* had passed into the Body of a Bull.

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A.

A B-Addres, Heathen Gods
 Abdest, Mahometan Ceremony
 Abdelians, Christian Hereticks
 Abuna, Ethiopian Patriarch's Title
 Acaid, Mahometan Principles
 Acephali, Christian Hereticks
 Acnun, the Mahometan Divine Hypostasis
 Acoime, Christian Monks
 Acolyte, Christian Clergy
 Adad, Heathen Deity
 Adamites, Christian Hereticks
 Addir, one of God's Names
 Adeona, a Pagan She Deity
 Adhba, Mahometan Festival
 Adonis, a Heathen Deity
 Adonia Sacra, Heathen Mysteries
 Adramelech, Heathen Idol
 Ægeria, a Pagan Deity
 Æsculapius, a Heathen God
 Agenora, a Heathen She-Divinity
 Aginnians, Christian Hereticks
 Aglais, a She-Divinity
 Aglibolus, A Pagan Deity
 Agnoites, Christian Hereticks
 Agnoites, another sort
 Agynnii, Christian Hereticks
 Albat, Christian Hermits
 Albigenes, a Sect of Christians
 Albanois, Christian Hereticks
 Albuna, a Heathen Goddess
 Alcoran, the Book of the Mahometan Law.

Alcedo, Heathen Goddess
 Aletides, Heathen Sacrifices
 Ali, Mahomet's Son-in-Law
 Allah, God's Name in Arabick
 Alleluja, Praise to God
 Aloes, Heathen Festival
 Alogians, Christian Hereticks
 Altar, A thing whereon Sacrifice is offered
 Amalthea, A Sybil
 Ambrosia, The Food of the Gods
 Amedieu, Christian Monks
 Amida, A Japannois Idol
 Amonques, Pastors of the Christians of St. Thomas
 Amphidromia, A Heathen Festival
 Amphilocheus, A Heathen Demi-God
 Anabaptists, Christian People
 Anculi, Heathen Gods
 Ancyle, Heathen Sacred Buckler
 Anetis, Heathen Goddess
 Anameleck, A Samaritan Idol
 St. Andrew, An Apostle
 Angelici, Christian Hereticks
 Angelites, Christian Hereticks
 Angerona, Heathen Goddess
 Anna, A Heathen Goddess
 Annomeans, Christian Hereticks
 Annunciade, A Popish Order
 Antevorta, A Pagan Divinity
 Antropomorphites, Christian Hereticks
 Antiadiaphorists, A Christian Sect
 Antichrist, Opposer of Christ
 Antidicomariani, Christian Hereticks
 Antinomians, a Christian Sect

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Antitartes, ib.
 Antitrinitarians, ib.
 Annubis, A Heathen Diety
 Aputuriz, ib.
 Aphthardocitæ, A Christian Sect
 Apollo, A Heathen Diety
 Apostolicks, Christian Hereticks
 Atergatis, A Heathen Goddess
 Athenæa, Heathen Festivals
 Aurruncus, A Pagan Diety
 Augustalia, Heathen Festivals
 Augustines, A Popish Order
 St. Austin, The Apostle of the Anglo-Saxons
 Azabe Kaberi A Mahometan Opinion of the State of the Dead
 Azarekati, An Heretical Mahometan Sect

B.

B Aul, A Moabitish Idol
 Baanites, Christian Hereticks
 Bacchanalia, Heathen Festivals
 Bacchus, A Heathen God
 Bacoti, A Tonquinese Prophetess
 Bagnolenses, Christian Hereticks
 Bahir, A Book of the Mysteries of the Jewish Cabala
 Bairam, A Mahometan Festival
 Baiwa, A Lapland Idol
 Banian, A Sect of Indian Idolaters
 Baptes, Heathen Priests
 Bardesanistes, Christian Hereticks
 Barek Mor, A Form of Christian Salutation in the East
 Barnabas, A Christian Disciple
 Barnabites, A Popish Order of Monks
 Barsanians, Christian Hereticks
 St. Bartholomew, An Apostle of Christ
 Barules, Christian Hereticks
 Barzakli, A Mahometan Term for the intermediate State
 St. Basil, A Monastick Rule
 Basilides, A Christian Heresiarch
 Bathen Elmal Bathen, The Internal and Spiritual Life of the Mahometans

Bayras, A Jacobin Heretick
 Backlaschites, A Mahometan Monkish Sect
 Becklaschites, Another Mahometan Sect
 Beel Phegor, A Moabitish Idol
 Beelzebub, An Idol of Eckron
 Beguares, Christian Hereticks
 Behemoth, What it is
 Beito Allah, The House of God at Mecca
 Belial, A Sidonian Idol
 Bellona, A Heathen Diety
 Belus, A Heathen Diety
 Beel, The same as Jupiter
 Benedictines, A Popish Order
 Benefice, The Subsistence of the Clergy
 Benefices Consistorial, Popish Bishopricks, &c.
 Bibles, A Collection of Holy Books writ by Divine Inspiration
 Bibles - - - - - Arabick,
 ——— Armenian,
 ——— Chaldee,
 ——— Coptick,
 ——— Ethiopian,
 ——— Greek
 ——— Hebrew,
 ——— Latin,
 ——— Muscovite,
 ——— Persian,
 ——— Samaritan,
 ——— Syriack.
 Blandralas, A Christian Heretick
 Boedromia, Heathen Festivals
 Bomanick, The Heathen Flagellants of Diana.
 Bona Dea, A Pagan She Divinity
 Bonasians, Christian Hereticks
 Bongomiles, Christian Hereticks
 Bons Hommes, Popish Monks
 Borborites, Christian Hereticks
 Boreas, A Heathen Diety
 Borrelistes, A Christian Sect
 Brachmans, A Heathen Sect in India.
 Branchidæ, Heathen Priests
 Bruma, A Heathen Deity of the Brachmans

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Brumales, A Heathen Festival
Buabin, A Heathen Idol of *Tonquin*
Bubona, A Pagan She Divinity
Bull in Cena Domini, A Popish Ceremony

C.

C *Abala*, pretended mysterious Knowledge of the Jews
Cabalists, A Jewish Sect
Cabiri, Heathen Gods of *Samo-thrace*
Cadarians, A Mahometan Sect
Cadizadelires, A Mahometan Sect
Cesa and Porresta, A Religious Heathen Ceremony
Cainites, Christian Hereticks
Calata Comitia, An Assembly of the Romans for Electing their Heathen Priests
Calazophisaces, Heathen Priests
Calenders, Mahometan Fryers
Calistins, A Christian Sect
Caloyers, Christian Monks
Calumny, A Heathen Goddess
Camaldoli, A Popish Order
Cameronians, A Christian Sect
Camius, Heathen Idols
Campatois, Christian Hereticks
Canon, A Rule of Religion
Capitularies, Ecclesiastical Ordinances
Caprotina, A false Deity
Capuchins, A Popish Order
Caraites, A Jewish Sect
Caravan, Mahometan Pilgrims
Cardinal, An eminent Dignity in the Romish Church
Carit, A Christian Tribe of the *Moguls*
Carites, Pagan She Divinities
Carmath, A Mahometan Impostor
Carmelites, A Popish Order
Carmelites, A Congregation of Fryars
Carmenta, A Heathen Goddess
Carmentalia, Heathen Feasts
Carma, A Heathen Goddess
Carpocras, A Christian Heresiarch

Cartularies, Ecclesiastical Papers
Castor and Pollux, Heathen Deities
Cataphryges, Christian Hereticks
Catechise, to teach the Mystery of Christianity
Catechumens, Persons instructed in Christianity
Cathedral, An Episcopal Church
Celestines, A Popish Order
Celicoli, Christian Apostates
Cellites, A Popish Order
Cenobites, Monks
Cerdon, A Christian Heresiarch
Cereales, Heathen Festivals
Ceres, A Heathen Deity
Cenrawth, A Banian Sect
Chalvetti, A Founder of Mahometan Orders
Chamos, A Moabitish Idol
Charite, A Popish Order
Charite of our Lady, Another Popish Order
Chartreux, A Popish Order
Chavarites, A Mahometan Sect
Chefeier, The first in the Ecclesiastical Catalogue
Cheq, The Prince of *Mecca*
Cherubims, Angels of the second Rank
Chiliasfs, A Christian Party
Chines, Heathen Idols
Chorepiscopi, Bishops Assistants
Christians, Those that believe in Christ
Christians of St. Thomas, A particular sort of Christians in *India*
Christolites, A Christian Sect
Chupinessahi, A Mahometan Sect
Churches, Christian Assemblies
Cineres and Reliquia, A Religious Heathenish Custom of the Romans
Circenses, Plays in Honour of *Jupiter*
Circumcellians, A Christian Sect
Circus, A Kind of a Heathen Deity

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Circumcision, A Jewish Religious Ceremony	Council, an Assembly of Churchmen for Deciding Ecclesiastical Matters
Cisterians, A Popish Order	Croda, a false Saxon Deity
St. Claire, Another Popish Order	Croisade, Christian Expedition to the Holy Land
Clemency, An Heathen Deity	Cunina, a Heathen Goddess
Clio, A Pagan She Divinity	Cupid, a Heathen Deity
Clotho, Another She Divinity	Curbicus, a Christian Heresiarch
Cnef, A false Egyptian Deity	Curchius, a Heathen God
Cælum, A Heathen God	Cureotis, the first Day of a Heathen Athenian Festival
Collegium, Esculapij, A Heathen Religious Congregation	Curia, Roman Tribes or Parishes
Collegium Dendrophorum, Heathen Procession in Honour of the Gods	Curio, the Heathen Priest of the Parish in Rome
Colliridians, Christian Hereticks	Cybele, a Heathen Goddess
Compitalia, Heathen Festivals	Cynocephalus, a false Egyptian Deity
Comus, A Heathen God	Cyrenaiques, Heathen Philosophers
Conception, A Popish Order	D.
Conception immaculat, Conceived without Original Sin	D Actili Idæi, Heathen Priests
Conclave, The Cardinals meeting to choose a Pope	Dagon, a Philistine Idol
Concordat, An Agreement about Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction	Dairo, the Japan Pontiff
Concordat (Germanick) A Treaty about Ecclesiastical Affairs	Damia, a Heathen Goddess
Concordia, A Heathen God	Damianistes, Christian Hereticks
Confalon, A Popish Order	Daniel, the Prophet
Confession of Ausburg, the Lutheran Confession of Faith	Daranians, an Heretical Mahometan Sect
Confucius, A Chinese Philosopher or Saint	Dea Nundina, a Heathen Goddess
Congregation of the Rites, a Popish Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction	Décretals, Popes determining Ecclesiastical Affairs
Congregation of the Holy Office, Another Popish Jurisdiction	Dedication of a Temple, the Heathen way of doing it
Consalus, A Pagan Deity	Deists, those that deny the Trinity
Consecration, Heathenish Deification of Men	Derceta, a Heathen Goddess
Consecration of the Pontifex, a Heathenish Ceremony of Religion	Dervische, a Religious among the Mahometans
Consentes, Pagan Deities	Deverra, a Pagan She Divinity
Consualia, Heathen Festivals	Deus, the Sovereign Being
Consus, a Heathen God	Dia, a Heathen Goddess
Cophes, a Christian Sect	Diana, a Heathen Goddess
Corban, a Religious Sacrifice	Dice, a Heathen Goddess
Coronis, a Heathen God	Diet, an Assembly about Religion
Corybantes, Heathen Priests	Diet of Ausburg, Nuremburg, Ratisbon, Spire, Worms, &c.
Cottite, a Heathen Goddess	Dis, a Heathen God
	Discord, a Pagan Deity

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Divination, the Art of knowing
 future Things
Doctrine (Christian) a Popish Or-
 der
Dominicans, a Popish Order
Donatists, Christian Hereticks
Druids, Heathen Priests of the Bri-
 tains
Druzes, a sort of Eastern Christi-
 ans
Dryades, Heathen Deities
Dulcinists, Christian Hereticks

E.

E *Bionites*, Christian Hereticks
Ebkubharites, a Mahometan
 Religious Order
Ecthesis, a Confession of the Chri-
 stian Faith
Edremites, a Religious Mahometan
 Order
Egeria, a Pagan She Divinity
Elcesaeites, Christian Hereticks
Elenctus, a Heathen God
Eleusian Mysteries, Religious Ce-
 remonies in honour of Ceres
Eleutheria, Heathen Festivals
Emaums, Mahometan Parochial
 Priests
Emir, a Mahometan Title in Spiri-
 tuals, &c.
Encenia, Jewish Festivals
Encratites, Christian Hereticks
Engalius, a Heathen Deity
Ephestria, Heathen Festivals
Epiphanes, a Christian Heresiarch
Epiphany, a Christian Feast
Epulones, Heathen Priests
Erato, a kind of a Heathen God-
 dess
Erebus, a Pagan Deity
Erinnis, a Goddess
Ermensul, a Saxon Idol
Eschraci, a Mahometan Sect
Eslam, the Mahometan Religion
Esseans, a Jewish Sect
Evangelists, Preachers of the Gos-
 pel
Euthologion, a Liturgical Book of
 the Greek Church

Eudoxians, Christian Hereticks
Eve, the Mother of Mankind
Eviternus, a false Deity
Euminides, the Furies of Hell
Eumolpides, the Heathen Priests of
 Ceres
Eunomius, an Arch Christian He-
 retick
Eustacius, a Christian Heresiarch
Euterpe, a Pagan Deity
Entychians, Christian Hereticks
Exarch, a Visitor in the Christian
 Church
Exorcisms, Certain Prayers once
 used in the Church
Expiation, a Pagan Ceremony
Extravagants, Pope's Decretal Epi-
 stles

F.

F *Abulinus*, a Pagan Deity
Fakirs, Mahometan Dervishes
Fanus, a Heathen Deity
Fate, a Heathen Goddess
Fauna fatua, a Heathen Goddess
Faunalia sacra, Heathen Festivals
Fauni, Heathen Demi-Gods
Fe, a Chinese Deity
Feastings of the Jews, remarkable
 for some Religious Ceremonies
Felicity, a Heathen Deity
Feralia, Heathen Festivals
Feria, Pagan Holy Days
Feronia, a Heathen Goddess
Fesoli, a Popish Order
Festivals, the several sorts of them
Fetich, false Deities
Feuillians, a Popish Order
Fides, a Pagan Divinity
Fidius, a Pagan Deity
Flagellantes, a Christian Sect
Flamines, Heathen Priests
Flaminica, the Flamen's Wife
Flins, an Idol of the Vandals
Flora, a Pagan Deity
Floralia, Pagan Festivals
Florinus, a Christian Heretick
Fontinalia, a Heathen Festival
Fordicidia, a Heathen Festival

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Fornicalia, a Heathen Festival
Fortune, a Pagan Deity
Franciscans, a Popish Order
Fratricelli, Christian Hereticks
Fraud, a Pagan Deity
Furina, a Heathen God
Furinalia, Pagan Festivals

G.

G *Aianites*, Christian Hereticks
Galatea, a Heathen Sea Goddess,
Galli Cybeles, Heathen Priests
Gaurs, People of a particular Religion in the East
Gebennah, Hell
Gennah, the *Mahometans* Paradise
Gibarians, a *Mahometan* Sect
Gilgul, Rowling, a particular Jewish Opinion
Gius-Chon, a Reader of the *Alcoran*
Gnosimatti, Christian Hereticks
Gnosticks, Christian Hereticks
Goegni, a *Banian* Sect
Graces, Heathen Goddesses
Gulal, a Religious *Mahometan* Ceremony

H.

H *Afizi*, a Sect among the *Mahometans*
Hagiographia, Holy Writings
Haietti, a *Mahometan* Sect
Hairetti, a *Mahometan* Sect
Hamadryades, Heathen Divinities
Hambellians, a *Mahometan* Sect
Hanisse, a *Mahometan* Sect
Haram, a Thing forbid by the *Mahometans*, &c.
Hecate, a Pagan Deity
Hecatomb, a Pagan Sacrifice
Hegira, the *Mahometan* Era
Heliogabalus, a *Phanician* Idol
Hellenists, Grecizing Jews
Heptateuch, the first part of the Bible
Heracleon, a Christian Heresiarch
Heresiarch, the Chief of Hereticks
Heres martia, a Heathen Goddess

Heresy, a Fundamental Error in Religion
Hercules, a Heathen Divinity
Hermanubis, an *Egyptian* Idol
Hermaprodite, an Idol
Herm-Heracles, a Heathen Deity
Herm-Eros, a false Deity
Herm-Harpocrates, a Pagan Idol or Statue
Hermits, Primitive Christians that lived in Desarts
Hermogenes, a Christian Heretick
Heroes, Demi-Gods
Herta, a Pagan Goddess
Hesus, a Heathen Deity
Hesychastes, Christian Monks
Hexapla, a Book with the *Hebrew* Text of the Bible in *Hebrew* and *Greek* Characters
Hhatib, *Mahometan* Curates
Hierarchy, a Holy Principality
Hierophantes, Heathen Priests
Hieroglyphicks, Sacred Images
Hilaria, Heathen Festivals
Hillels Jewish Names
Hippocraton, Heathen Festivals
Hippona, a Heathen Deity
Honour, a Pagan Divinity
Hocen, *Hali's* Eldest Son
Homar, *Mahomet's* Kinsman
Hommes d' Intelligence, a Christian Sect
Hordules, Heathen Festivals
Hosta, a Heathen Goddess
Hosanna, Save now
Horus, a Heathen Deity
Hostilia, a Heathen Goddess
Houanches, a *Mahometan* Sect
Hussites, Christians, the Followers
Huss
Hyacinthides, Heathen Goddesses
Hydromantia, Southsaying
Hymantes, Penitents in the Latin Church
Hymeneus, a Heathen God
Hymeneus, a Christian Heretick
Hypostasis, a Theological Christian Term
Hypsistarians, Christian Hereticks

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I.

I *Abalah*, a Mahometan Sect
Jabari, a Mahometan Sect
Jacob, chief of the Sect of the
 Shepherds
Jacobites, a Sect of Eastern Chri-
 stians
Jaffer-El-Schaden, the first High-
 Priest, *Mahomet's* Successor
St. James the Greater, an Apostle
St. James the Less, an Apostle
Jansenists, a Christian Sect
Iconoclastes, Image-breakers
Idols, the Statues of some false
 Deities
Jehovah, the great Name of God
Jentives, a Heathen Sect in the *In-
 dies*
Jeronymites, a Popish Order
Jesuits, a Popish Order
Jexides, a Mahometan Sect
Ignis, Fire Worshipped by some
 Heathens
Ilithya, a Pagan Deity
Illuminated, Spanish Hereticks
Iman, the Head of the Mahome-
 tan Assemblies in their Mosques
Impudence, a Pagan Deity
Incorrupticolæ, Christian Hereticks
Incubus, Pagan Demi-Gods
Independents, a Body of Protestants
Indigetes, Heathen Gods
Indous, Indian Pagans
Indulgencies, Popish Pardons
Interim, a Popish Formulary of
 Faith
Invention of the Holy Cross, a Po-
 pish Festival
Invisibles, a Christian Sect
Invocation of Saints, a Popish
 piece of Superstition
Io, a Heathen Goddess
John the Baptist, the Forerunner
 of Christ
S. John, the Apostle and Evangelist
St. Joseph, the Husband of the
 Virgin *Mary*
Iris, a kind of Heathen Deity
Isites, a Mahometan Sect

Isis, an Egyptian Goddess
Israel, another Name given to *Jacob*
Isthmian Games, Heathen Solemn-
 ities
Jubilee, Popish Indulgencies
Judgment, a Heathen Deity
Jugatinus, an Idol Deity
Jumala, An Idol Deity
Juno, a Heathen Goddess
Junonalia, a Heathen Festival
Jupiter, a Pagan Deity
Justice, a Heathen Deity
Juturna, a Heathen Goddess
Juventus, a Heathen Goddess

K.

K *Adezadelites*, a Mahometan
 Sect
Kalenderi, a Mahometan Order.
Kebbers, Modern sort of Heathens
 in *Persia*
Kehlah, the place where *Mecca* is
 situated
Keramians, a Mahometan Sect
Kessarabians, a Mahometan Sect
King of Sacrifices, a Heathen Reli-
 gious Magistrate

L.

L *Achesis*, a Pagan Deity
Laetucina, a Heathen Goddess
Lama, the Title of a *Tartarian*
 High-Priest
Lancu, a Religious Sect in *China*
Lares, Heathen Gods
Lateranus, a Pagan Divinity
Latinae Ferie, Heathen Festivals
Leetisternium, a Religious Ceremo-
 ny of the Pagans
Lemuria, Pagan Festivals
Lent, a Christian Fast
Libellatici, Mungrel Christians
Liberality, a Heathen Goddess
Liberty, a Heathen Goddess
Libertines, Christian Hereticks
Libitina, a Heathen Goddess
Libit, a Jewish Spectrum or Ghost
Litæ, Heathen Goddesses
Litany, Publick Supplications
Liturgy,

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Liturgy, Divine Service
Lubentina, a Heathen Goddess
Lucaria, a Pagan Festival
St. Luke, an Evangelist
Luciferians, Christian Schismaticks
Lucina, a Pagan She-Deity
Lucius, a Heathen God
Lupercalia, Heathen Festivals
Lustratio, a Heathen Sacrifice

M.

Macedonians, Christian Hereticks,
Mahomet, a false Prophet
Mahometanism, *Mahomet* and his Followers Religion
Malick, a Mahometan Sect
Malainigee, another Mahometan Sect
Manicheans, Christian Hereticks
Mines, Departed Souls among the Pagans
Mania, the Mother of the Household Gods
Materna, a Heathen Goddess
Maoulaonans, a Mahometan Sect
Marabout, Idolatrous Priests of Guinea
St. Mark, an Evangelist
Marcellians, Christian Hereticks
Marcion, a Christian Heresiarch
Mariontes, a Sect of Christians in the East
Mars the Heathen God of War
Martyrology, a Discourse about Martyrs
Mass, a Popish Sacrifice called Mass
Massalians, Christian Hereticks
Matrales, a Heathen Festival
Matronalia, a Heathen Festival
St. Matthew, an Apostle and Evangelist
St. Matthias, an Apostle
Mecca, a place of Pilgrimage for the Mahometans
Medina, the place where *Mahomet's* Body is deposited
Meditrinalia, Heathen Festivals
Melchites, Christian Syrians, &c.

Mene, a Heathen Goddess
Mennonites, a Sect of Anabaptists
Mercava, the three Visions in *Ezekiel*
Mercury, a Heathen Deity
Mesgidgi Barchi, Mahometan Priests
Metamorphites, Christian Hereticks
Metangismonites, Christian Hereticks
Metropolitan, An Archbishop
Millenarians, Christian Hereticks
Minerva, a Heathen Goddess
Minervalia, Heathen Festivals
Minims, a Popish Order
Minos, a Pagan Deity
Miserecordia, a Heathen Goddess
Missionaries, Persons sent by the Pope to convert Infidels
Moatazali, a Mahometan Sect
Mobaiedians, the Followers of the Mahometan Impostor *Berkai*
Moloch, an Ammonite Idol
Momus a Heathen God
Monarchicals, Christian Hereticks
Monasterians, Christian Hereticks
Monk, a Religious Order in the Church of *Rome*
Monothelites, Christian Hereticks
Montanus, a Christian Heresiarch
Moqua, a Religious Mahometan Riot
Morabites, a Mahometan Sect
Morgi, a Mahometan Sect
Moses, a Prophet and Law-giver
Mosques, Mahometan places of Worship
Mufti, the Head of Mahometanism
Munasibi, a Mahometan Sect
Muses Heathen Deities
Musorites, Jewish Worshippers of Rats
Mutavel, Rector of a Mahometan Mosque
Muta, a Heathen Goddess
Myagros, a Heathen Deity

N.

Nænia, a Heathen Goddess
Naiades, false Goddesses
Nakib,

T A B L E.

Nakib Escree, the Head of the Mahometan Race

Namaz, a Mahometan Prayer

Napææ, false Deities

Nassib, Mahometan's Fate

Natagai, a Tartarian Idol

Nazarites, a Jewish Sect or Order

Nebo, an Assyrian Deity

Nekir, an Inquisitor Angel of the Mahometans

Nemesis a Heathen Goddess

Nemestrinus, a Heathen Deity

Neomenia, a Jewish Festival

Neophitæ, a sort of Christians

Nephelia, Heathen Sacrifices

Neptune, a Heathen Deity

Nereus a Heathen Deity

Nergal, a Samaritan Idol

Nestorians, Christian Hereticks

Nicholaitans, Christian Hereticks

Nigh, a Heathen Deity

Nimutelani, a Mahometan Order

Nixidii, Heathen Deities

Nocturna, a Popish Church-Office

Nodinus, a Heathen Deity

Nomocanon, a Collection of Church Canons

Notaries, an Office in the C. of Rome

Novatians, Christian Hereticks

Novendiales, a Heathen Sacrifice

Novensiles, the Heathen Gods of Provinces

Nudipedalia, Jewish Sacrifices

Numeria, a Heathen Goddess

Nyctelia, Heathen Festivals

O.

Occator, a Heathen Deity

Odid, a Danish Deity

Oemanthius, a Heathen Deity

Olympii, Twelve Heathen Deities

Oman, a false Persian Deity

Ombiasses, Madagascar Priests

Opalia, Heathen Festivals

Ophites, Christian Hereticks

Opinion, a false Deity

Opinionists, a Christian Sect

Opportunity, a false Goddess

Oracle, an ambiguous Answer of Heathen Priests

Oratory, a Popish Order

Oratory, another Popish Order

Orders of Monks, how distinguish'd

Orgia, a Heathen Festival

Origenists, Christian Hereticks

Oromazes, the Name of the highest God among the Chaldeans

Oscopharia, a Heathen Festival

Osiris, a Heathen Deity

P.

Pachacamac, the Peruvian Name of God

Pacifick, the Name of a sort of Christians

Paganalia, a Heathen Festival

Pagans, Heathens

Pagod, a Heathen Temple, &c.

Palatua, a Heathen Goddess

Pales, a Heathen Goddess

Palilia, Pagan Feasts

Palici, Heathen Deities

Pallas, a Heathen Goddess

Pallium, a Prelate's Mantle

Pan, a Heathen Deity

Panathenea, Heathen Festival

Panes, Pagan Deities

Panthea, the Statue of all the Pagan Deities

Papas, Christian Greek Priests

Parabolans, Christian Clerks of Alexandria

Paradice, A Garden, or the Abode of the Happy

Paraphrase, (*Chaldaick*) the Translation of the Bible into *Chaldee*

Parcæ, Heathen Deities

Pardon, a Jewish Festival

Pasermenute, Christian Hereticks

Paristes, their Origin, &c.

Parsis, Cambayan Pagans

Particula, Bread offered at the Greek Liturgy

Partula, a Heathen Goddess

Passalorynchites, Christian Hereticks

Pastophori, Heathen Priests

Pataici Dii, false Gods

Patalena, a Heathen Goddess

Patriarch, the first chief Father

Patri-

T A B L E.

Patriarchate, a Patriarch See
Patricians, Christian Hereticks
Paventia, a Heathen Deity
St. Paul, an Apostle
Pavor, a Heathen Deity
Pax, a false Deity
Pecosos, Idolatrous Priests
Pelagians, Christian Hereticks
Penthes, Heathen Deities
Penitential, a Collection of Christian Canons
Penitents a Popish Fraternity
Pentateuch, the five Books of *Moses*
Pentecost, a Religious Festival of the Jews
Pentecostarion, Ecclesiastical Books
Pepuzians, Christian Hereticks
Percunus, a Heathen Deity
Perdoite, a false Prussian Deity
Pergubries, another Prussian Deity
Persecutions of the Church, an Account of them
St. Peter, an Apostle
Pharisees, a Jewish Sect
Photinians, Christian Hereticks
Picards, a Christian Sect
Piety, a Heathen Goddess
Plays, Solemnities in Honour of the Gods
Pluto, a false Deity
Plutus, a Pagan Deity
Polemians, Christian Hereticks
Pollentia, a Heathen Goddess
Polygamists, Christian Hereticks
Polyhymnia, a Pagan Deity
Pomona, a Heathen Goddess
Pontifices Romani, Rom. High-priests
Pope, the Head of the Church of Rome
Populonia, a Heathen Goddess
Portunus, a Pagan Deity
Postvorta, a Heathen Goddess
Potitians, Heathen Sacrificers
Potniades, Heathen Goddesses
Pre-Adamites, Christian Hereticks
Presanctified, a Greek Liturgy
Presbyterians, a Body of Christians
Priest (High) the principal Sacrificer under the Jewish Law

Priest, a Religious Officer among the Jews and Christians
Priscillianists, Christian Hereticks
Proclimates, Christian Hereticks
Prophets, persons endued with Divine Inspiration
Proselytes, Strangers that embraced Judaism
Proserpina, a false Goddess
Protestants, Christians that protest against the Errors of the Church of Rome
Protevangelion, a Book attributed to *St. James* the Apostle
Proteus, a false Deity
Prothesis a Sacred Utenfil in the Greek Church
Prothonotary, a great Officer in the Greek Church
Psyche, a Heathen Goddess
Pudicitia, a Pagan Goddess
Purification, a Religious Jewish Ceremony
Purim, a Jewish Feast
Puritans, Christians that are strict Calvinists
Pussa, a false Chinese Goddess

Q.

Quakers, a Christian People
Quartodecimani, the Name of a Party of Christians
Quietists, a Christian Sect
Quinquatria, Heathen Festivals
Quintilians Christian Hereticks
Quirinales, Heathen Festivals

R.

Rabbanites, the Jewish followers of the Doctrine of their Fathers
Rabbins, Jewish Doctors
Rabboth, Jewish Allegorical Commentaries upon *Moses* Books
Radamanthus, a Heathen Deity
Ramadan the Holy Month of the Mahometans
Rananites, a Jewish Sect
Raspantes, a sort of *Banians*,
Rassene, Mahometan Messenger

Raven-

T A B L E.

Ravendia, a Mahometan Sect
Raymi, a Peruvian Festival in Honour of the Sun
Reſtrabites, a Jewish Sect
Recolleſts, a Popiſh Order
Redemption of Captives, a Popiſh Order
Rediculus, a Heathen Deity
Regale, the Rights of the French Kings in Eccleſiaſtical Matters
Regifugium a Heathen Festival
Religion, Divine Worſhip
Religions of Europe
 ———— of *Asia*
 ———— of *Africa*
 ———— of *America*
Remonſtrants, a powerful Party of Chriſtians
Reſurreſtion, a Weekly Chriſtian Festival
Rhea, a Heathen Goddeſs
Retorians, Chriſtian Hereticks
Robigo, a Heathen Goddeſs
Rogation, publick Prayers among ſome Chriſtians
Rofary, a Religious Office in the Church of *Rome*
Rof-Haſcana, the firſt Day of the Year kept Holy by the Jews
Rota, a Popiſh Jurisdiction
Rumia, a Heathen Goddeſs
Rufina, a Rural Goddeſs

S.

S *Abaites*, a Heatheniſh Sect
Sabathians, Chriſtian Hereticks
Sabbath, a Day kept Holy by the Jews
Sabeans, a mixed Sect of Chriſtians, Jews, Mahometans, &c.
Sabellians, Chriſtian Hereticks
Saccophori, Chriſtian Hereticks
Sacrifice, Divine Worſhip given by Oblation of a Victim
Sadducees, a Jewish Sect
Saillettes, a Popiſh Convent of Women
Salij, Heathen Priests
Samarath, a Sect of *Banians*
Samael, the Devil's Name that ſeduc'd *Eve*

Sancius, a Heathen Deity
Sanedrim, a Jewish Aſſembly
Sanitas, a Heathen Deity
Saturnalia, Heathen Festivals
Satyrs, Heatheniſh Demi-Gods
Schace, a Heathen Goddeſs
Schegh, an able Mahometan Preacher
Scherif, the Deſcendant of *Mahomet*
Shijtes, a Mahometan Sect
Schiſm, a Division in the Chriſtian Church
Scriptures, the Word of God
Sebucians, a Samaritan Sect
Segetia, a Heathen Goddeſs
Seleuciani, Chriſtian Hereticks
Sementine Ferie, Pagan Festivals
Semi-Arrians, a Chriſtian Sect
Semi-Pelagians, Chriſtian Hereticks
Semones, Heatheniſh Demi-Gods
Sentinus, a Pagan Deity
Sephati, a Mahometan Sect
Sephirath, the ten Names of God in Scripture
Septuagint, the firſt Tranſlators of the Bible
Serapies, Houſhold Gods
Serpent, how Worſhiped by the Heathens
Servite, a Popiſh Order
Sethians, Chriſtian Hereticks
Severians, Chriſtian Hereticks
Sigaleon, an *Aegyptian* Idol
Socinians, a Chriſtian Sect
Solitauralia, Heathen Festivals
Somnus, a Pagan Deity
Sofipolis, a Heathen Deity
Spinensis, a Pagan Deity
Statues, the Figures of Heathen Gods
Stoor-Junkare, a Lapland Deity
Strenia, a Heathen Goddeſs
Suadia, a Heathen Goddeſs
Succeſs, a Pagan Deity
Sun, a Heathen Deity
Sunnis, a Mahometan Sect
Synagogue, Jewish Place of Worſhip
Synaxarion, an Eccleſiaſtical Book of the Greeks

Syrians,

T A B L E.

Syrians, Eastern Christians
Sylvanus, a Pagan Deity

T.

T *Abérnacles*, a Jewish Festival
Taharet, a Mahometan Ceremony
Talampoins, Heathen Indian Doctors
Talassus, a false Deity
Talmud, a Book of the Civil and Canon Law of the Jews
Talmudists, those that follow the Doctrine of the *Talmud*
Taraxippus, a false Deity
Tay-Bou, a Tonquinese Magician
Tay-Phou-Thony, another Tonquinese Magician
Tellus, a Heathen Goddess
Temple, a Place of Divine Worship
Templers, Christian Hereticks
Teraphim, the Idols of *Laban*
Terminus, a Heathen Deity
Testament, Books writ by Divine Inspiration
Teutates, a Gaulish Deity
Theatins, Popish Fryars
Theology, a Discourse concerning God
Thetys, a Heathen Goddesses
St. Thomas, an Apostle
Thomas, (Christians of) in the East-Indies
Thrones, Angels of the third Order
Tiensu, a Tonquinese Idol
Titan, a Heathen Deity
Tranquillity, a Pagan Goddess
Transfiguration, a Christian Festival
Trinitarians, a Popish Order
Trisagion, a Christian Hymn
Triton, a Heathen Divinity
Tutulina, a false Goddess
Typicon, a Liturgical Book of the Jews

V.

V *Acuna*, a Heathen Goddess
Vagitant, a Heathen Goddess
Valentinians, Christian Hereticks
Ubiquitaries, Lutherans
Venus, a Heathen Goddess
Ver Sacrum, a Heathen Sacrifice
Veritas, a Heathen Deity
Verticordia, a Heathen Deity
Vertue, a Heathen Goddess
Vertumnus, a Heathen Deity
Vertumnales, Heathen Festivals
Vesta, a Heathen Goddess
Vestalia, Heathen Festivals
Victory, a Heathen Goddess
Vituna, a Heathen Goddess
Unitarians, a Christian Sect
Volupia, a Heathen Goddess
Urim and Thummin, what they mean
Vulcan, a Pagan Deity

W.

W *Aida*, a Mahometan Sect
Weeks, *Daniel's Seventy*

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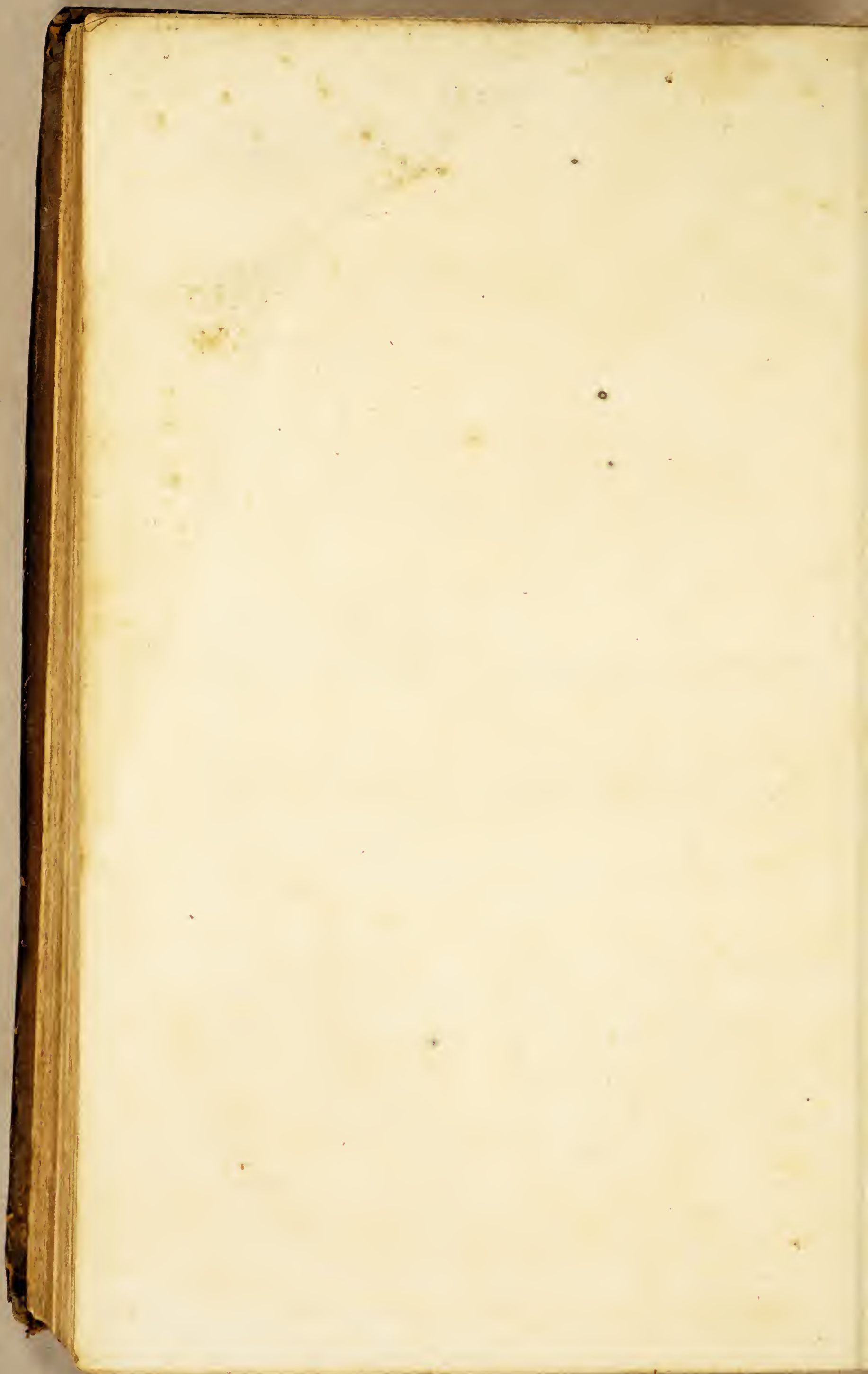
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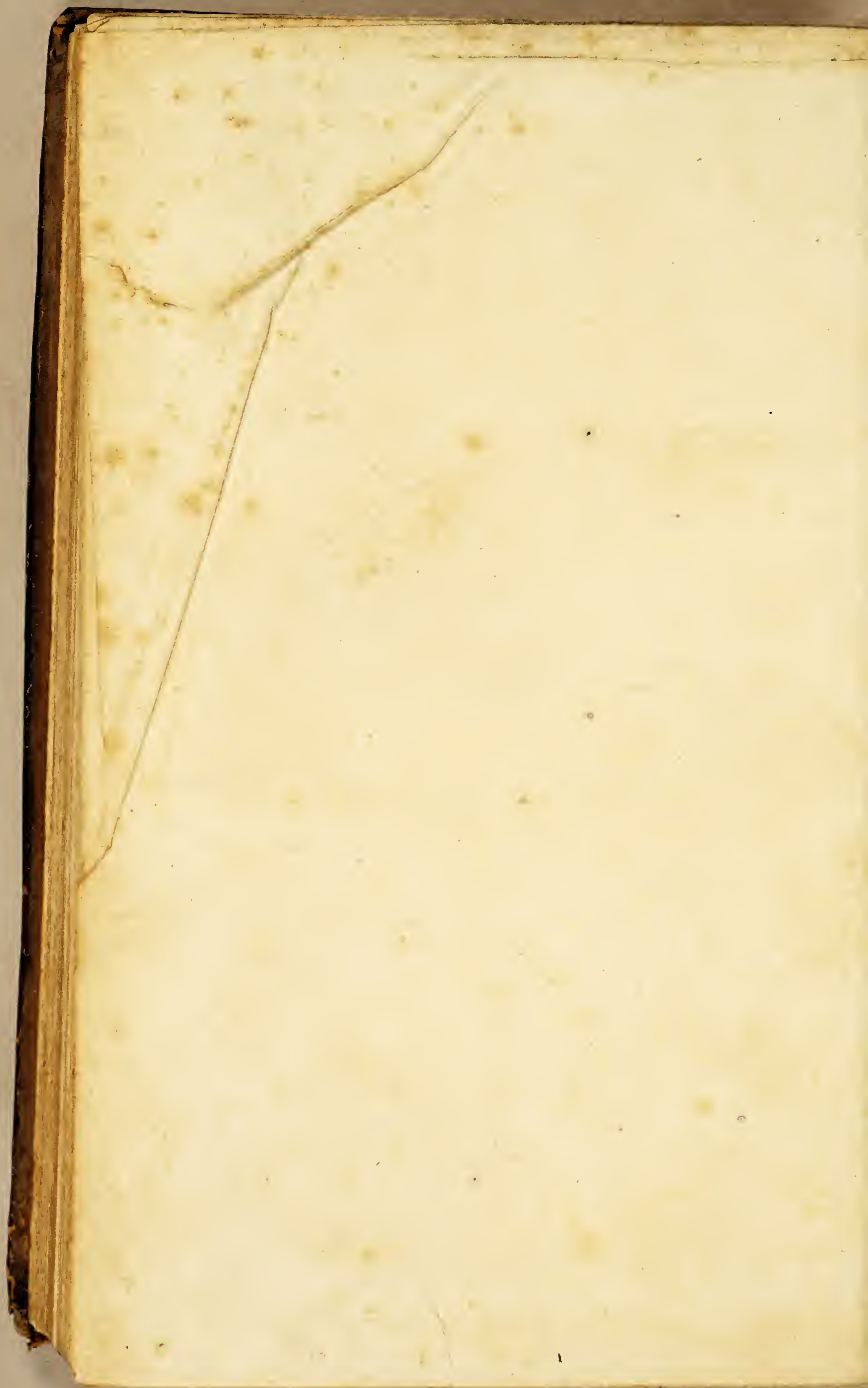
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Y *Etmish Eke Melet*, 72 Nations, &c.

Z.

Z *Aca*, Mahometan Maintenance of the Poor
Zelots, a Jewish Faction
Zeidi, a Mahometan Sect
Zephyrus, a Pagan Deity
Zindikites, Mahometan Hereticks
Zohar, a Venerable Jewish Book
Zonatrie, the Pagans Worship of Beasts





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